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# Azle Opry back to 'piddle and pick'



Friday nights are for classic country and gospel tunes. Members of the Azle Opry house band get together to entertain their regulars every Friday night at the old laundromat on Stewart Street. Photo by Jessica McKinney

#### **BY JESSICA McKINNEY** azlereporter@azlenews.net

After 16 months of silence, music is playing at Azle Opry again.

"We have been looking forward to getting back together so here it is," Roland Sparks said in a Facebook post.

The Opry closed its doors at the start of the pandemic, and it has been quiet ever since.

The first night back in action was July 9, where the regulars held a Fourth of July celebration of music and free food and drinks for attendees.

"We had quite the crowd," Sparks said.

The music will keep on playing every Friday night starting at 7 p.m. at the "old coin-o-matic" at 125 Stewart St., just before you get to Ash Creek Baptist Church.

If you are a fan of gospel and classic country, a hot cup of coffee and a slice of cake, then the Opry is the place to spend your Friday nights.

"There's always a dessert of some kind out on the table, and we

SEE OPRY, PAGE 5A.

# Local man lends an ear





Will Norman at his corner in Azle. "Every time I am out here, I am amazed people keep coming," he said. "Some come back and give me updates." Photo by Susan McFarland

## "Sometimes you need a stranger to talk to... nobody is stranger than me."

#### **BY SUSAN McFARLAND** sptreporter@azlenews.net

Lonely, overwhelmed or angry? Sometimes people just need an ear, which is what Will Norman pro- ment zone and confidential. vides three or four days a week on a street corner in Azle.

From suicide, heroin use, molestation and death to traffic and politics, Norman has heard it all within the confines of his canopy, which he promises is a no judge-

SEE STRANGER, PAGE 3A.

Photo by Jessica McKinney

# Area police chiefs gather in Azle

#### **BY JESSICA McKINNEY** azlereporter@azlenews.net

Northwest Tarrant County police chiefs came together in Azle last week for their regular meeting to discuss current issues and trends that may impact citizens.

Criminal District Attorney Sharen Chief Rick Pippins (Azle), Chief Wilson, Chief Tony Provencio David Babcock (Benbrook), (Castleberry ISD), Chief John Chief Tony Simmons (Reno), Bevering (White Settlement), Chief Cres Salazar (Springtown), Chief David Burgess (Westover and Chief Kevin Reaves (West-Hills), Assistant Chief Shannon worth Village). Martinez (Westover Hills), Chief

In attendance: Tarrant County Carolyn Gilmore (Sansom Park),

# THIS WEEK IN AZLE HISTORY

Come see how far your dollar will go at

MATTRESS GUYS

Summer Savings

## 30 YEARS AGO ...

In July 1991, two men attempted to steal the white horse from atop Lynn's Saloon. The theft was thwarted and one man was taken into custody. The horse was restored to its rightful spot.

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Azle Mayor Alan Brundrett presents award to Chief Will Scott.

Photo by Jessica McKinney Lieutenant Steve Lemming is presented an award by Alan Brundrett.

Photo by Jessica McKinney

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honored for 20-plus years of

and Lieutenant Steve Lemhave each served for 25 years. They were all recognized for their service at the ment. July 20 city council meeting tions from those in attendance.

is a relatively young departfrom the department," said second out calls."

#### Chief Scott.

the current chief as a fire-Three members of the fighter/paramedic in 1996. Azle Fire Department were At that time, the department consisted of a combination ment is housed in its curservice with the department. of volunteers/part-time staff, rent location at 900 Lakev-Fire Engineer Billy John- and 9 full time shift person- iew Dr., moving from just son has served for 20 years, nel. The fire department was 4,800 square feet of space to housed in the old municipal 17,000 square feet. A departming and Chief Will Scott complex at 613 SE Parkway, ment of 10 paid personnel in along with city administra- 1996 has grown to 21 fulltion and the police depart- time employees.

Scott was promoted to Chief Bobby Fowler hired fire chief in December 2002 after a lengthy search for Chief Fowler's replacement.

Now, the fire depart-

"The growth of the depart-"Two of the offices were ment has been accomplished and received standing ova- made into bedrooms with by the support of the citibunkbeds for the firefight- zens, city councils, and city ers," said Scott. "The de- administration seeing the "(Azle Fire Department) partment relied heavily on need for additional emervolunteers for major events gency services to the comment with only two retiring such as structure fires and munity, and for that I am truly grateful," Scott said.



Fire Engineer Billy Johnson is presented an award by Azle Mayor Alan Brundrett. Photo by Jessica McKinney



RBC Capital Markets is pleased to announce the sale of the following municipal bond issue:



# \$40,165,000\*

## Azle Independent School District

(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Tarrant, Parker and Wise Counties, Texas)

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For all inquiries regarding the purchase of the bonds, please contact:

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# The Science of **Genetics** in Agriculture

Alright, for those of you out there who enjoy touching history, more especially Agricultural history, the Chisolm Trail Antique Farm Equipment Club is a local organization that you may want to check out. With club activities held in our like misinformation in the fact that genetics is a factual tri-county area, members have the opportunity to see perimentation in the wrong in real life, learn about and even climb aboard some Agricultural equipment from years ago. We will high- sensible and practical dislight some of their major cussion, so let's stay calm activities as we get closer to as we go down this trail. If their planned activity dates. you are twenty-five years If you are interested in this old or older you were alive club, they do have a Face- in 1996 when the world's book page; also, their con- first successful cloning of a tact people are President Pat mammal from an adult cell Vaught at 817-372-7249 or was announced in Scotland. used, but I am sure that if Secretary Dennis Hamblin Dolly the Sheep, as she was at 817-565-7668.

using the word antique instead of or in the same sentence with old is really stepping across the line folks; I tight grip on. guess in today's world vintage or seasoned might be an cause world wide human easier word to swallow.

subject that tends to become stayed calm, maintained a a part of the hot topic of the day every few years or so, and kept a close watch on that is cross breeding or hybridization which falls into should with all research and the larger category of genet- experimentation. But again, ics. Hopefully most of y'all know that misinformation and find out what is really in the wrong hands can be going on and be very certain a very misleading and even of your sources. dangerous thing. And just



wrong hands, genetic exhands can also be a danger-

ous thing. referred to, made world You may have noticed that news, and according to I tend to stumble over the some, the end of the world words "old" and "antique". was at hand. Now please, Well, I have gotten to the please don't think that I am point where some younger making light of the subject the most recognized early folks could, mistakenly of of genetic experimentation. course, refer to me as old With some of the things that and I guess there could be a were done during World little truth to that. However, War II and even since that time in some dark corners of the world, this is a topic we should always keep a fairly

Dolly's cloning did not genetic mutations as some Now, let's visit about a alarmists predicted; we "steady hand on the wheel" this type of research, as we stay calm, seek out the truth

### AG 101 By Jack DeShazo

Jack DeShazo has decades of experience in the agriculture field.

But this is just going to be monk, performed his famous

First off let's recognize the

science, it is not theory. Genetic research has been going on for quiet some time. Gregor Mendel, a Moravian genetic inheritance research in 1865 and 1866 using pea plants. Just as a sidenote, since Mendel was doing his research in Moravia, which is now considered a part of the Czech Republic, I'm not sure what kind of peas he he had been in our Southern states, he would have used Blackeyed peas.

There was genetic research being done before Mendel, but he is probably genetic researcher. So at least since 1865 there has been testing and experimentation happening in the field of genetics and in 99.9% of the cases it has been positive research for improvements in our world.

So again, when genetics and research are paired up into one phrase, stay calm and pay attention.

Ok, at this point you have probably figured out the direction that I'm going with this topic. Next week we'll spend our time visiting about the positives and very few negatives of genetic research, testing and actual real life uses in the Agricultural sector.

'til next week.

#### STRANGER, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.

"No political agenda, no religious agenda ... I'm here for anyone," Norman said, as he waved at a passing car with horns blaring on the corner of Speer Avenue and Central Drive.

Not long after that, a woman in a van pulled up, rolled down her window and shouted from across the street, "Thank you! You're awesome!"

Norman, a Springtown resident, began listening in May. It all began as an idea from his grandson Kameron.

Last year, after going through some personal stuff, Norman realized he had nobody to talk to.

"People I thought would reach out didn't," he said. "I've always gone to church here in Azle. Not one person reached out."

Norman, who is raising his grandson, said the 15-year-old thought "it was sad" that nobody came to lend an ear.

"Maybe that's something you can do," Kameron told his grandpa. "Listen."

"So I bought a canopy, some chairs, painted a sign, printed a sign and began," Norman said.

He even has a box of tissues, water, hand sanitizer, baby wipes — things that might come in handy during a visit.

On the first day, it was lonely the first three hours. "And then a lady pulls

up," he said. "I can't talk to my friends or family about this. I can't talk to my church friends

stranger," she said. "Nobody is stranger than me," Norman recalls say-

ing. times, I've had three people waiting in line."



Will Norman

## "No one can help everyone, but everyone can help someone." - Will Norman

the one that led to this new or hamburgers" at which he journey, he has suffered a advised, "Tacos!" broken back, battled cancer twice, and has had multiple, he gets asked the most is, complex surgeries including one where his spinal cord was severed.

do this," he said.

of Young Sprouts Creative would come, some all the Learning Center in Azle, way from Fort Worth and is the breadwinner while Dallas after photos of him he takes care of the home hit online communities such endeavor but had one ques- Matters. tion.

this?" she asked him.

"It's been a learning experience for me. It's made about this either. I need a me slow down and listen," he said.

Norman only offers his decompress. opinion if someone asks.

"And then people started about what they are going me," he said. showing up," he said. "At through and ask, 'What should I do?" Norman said. one of his visitors. As for

Norman has had his share light, passengers shouted of battles. Not counting through the window, "Tacos coming," he said.

Photo by Susan McFarland

One of the questions

"Why are you doing this?" "No one can help every-

one, but everyone can help "I'm blessed to be able to someone," he answers.

Norman said he never His wife Brenda, director thought so many people front. She fully supports his as Reddit and Love What

"Every time I am out here, "You're a talker. How are I am amazed people keep you going to be able to do coming," he said. "Some come back and give me updates."

> The stories he hears are hard to bear at times. When Norman gets home, he must

"Sometimes I go home "I've had people talk at night and cry ... It hurts

He also prays for each Once from a car at the red how long he will do this?

"I guess until people stop

## INSURANCE DIRECTORY



# It's an amazing day!

the "This is day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

Be amazing today, my friend.

I always end these posts with that sentence.

Prior to that, I use about give you a few reasons for it. morrow holds because we

there.

Why?

Thanks for asking!

the secret sauce for living an serve—dadgummit—to be amazing day: determine in cranky! advance to be amazing.

We've all had THOSE prise-something nights-the ones where wrong during the day and



five hundred words to try to not be prepared for what to-Today, I want to start are entering it exhausted. It is so easy to preload a

bad day! It's almost as if we expect

Here's one ingredient to to be cranky because we de-

And then-surprise, surgoes sleep eludes us and a realiza- our preloaded expectations tion happens at some point are validated. We knew it The only day in which we during the night that we will was going to be one of those have the option of living. coincidence or it exists for a verywellmind.com/what-is-

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

#### davs!

And it goes downhill from there.

Have you been there? Be amazing. Seriously? Let me repeat the Bible verse I started with today: 'This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be

glad in it."

Ponder this:

Yesterday is gone. Tomor- reason. We can see today as locus-of-control-2795434) row is not assured. Actually, something that has happened because when it does, it will be today.

"This is the day the Lord has made." This is our real- glad in it." This is a con- over the circumstances of ity. We did not make the sun scious decision—a chosen our lives, but we have great come up this morning. We response. And note that it is control over our ability to could not prevent the sun a response to the day with no choose how we will respond from coming up this morn- mention of the particular ciring. The fact that today ex- cumstances. ists is totally outside of our control or influence. How it as "locus of control" that reity of this day's existence.

"This is the day." Today. the way we approach it.

the latter).

There is a concept known phasis mine). all happened is beyond our fers to "the extent to which as a gift from God. I choose comprehension. And our be- people feel that they have to laugh. I choose to hope. liefs about how we got here control over the events that I choose to encourage. I and how this day got here do influence their lives ... If you choose to bless. I choose to not in any way alter the real- believe that you have control endure. I choose to love. I over what happens, then you choose to be amazing. But our beliefs can change have what psychologists refer to as an internal locus of Today is either a cosmic control." (see https://www. friend.

This is a bit of a simplitomorrow will never arrive, to us. We can see today as a fication of the psychologigift granted to us. (I choose cal concept, but I think it is helpful to understand that "We will rejoice and be we may have little control to the circumstances.

"We WILL rejoice." (em-

I choose to see this day

Join me?

Be amazing today, my



# **LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS **CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS** 

SHADY GROVE PARK SIDEWALK Separate sealed bids for the construction of SHADY GROVE PARK SIDEWALK (Azle bid number 21-004) will be received by the City of Azle, Texas until 3:00 PM on Thursday, August 19, 2021

at City Hall, 505 W. Main Street, Azle, Texas, 76020, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud. This project consists of installing approximately 1,675 linear feet of 6' concrete sidewalk, ADA compliant curb cuts and ramps and all incidental appurtenances for a complete project in accordance with the contract documents.

The Contract Documents consisting of Advertisement of Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Contract, Performance and Payment Bonds, Maintenance Bond, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications and Addenda (if any) may be examined at the following location:

#### **JACOB & MARTIN, LLC**

1508 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 203, Weatherford, Texas 76086

Bids will not be accepted from contractors who have not obtained original plans and specifications from Jacob & Martin, LLC. Bids shall be submitted the provided documents. No faxed bids will be accepted.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the contract

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS must be ordered online at www.jacobmartin.com. Orders for CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may include hard copies for pick up, mail out or digital download via www.jacobmartin.com. Upon verification of online payment, hard copies may be picked up at Jacob & Martin, LLC, located at 1508 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 203, Weatherford, TX 76086. Cost for hard copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be **\$40.00** for half size plans. Cost for digital download of CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be **\$20.00**. Contractors must purchase a set of CONTRACT DOCUMENTS to be considered a registered plan holder eligible to bid the project.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, negotiable U.S. Governmental bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid.

City of Azle, Texas, Alan Brundrett, Mayor, July 21, 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE - ORDINANCES 2021-08 & 2021-09 ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS AMENDING





THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY AS OUTLINED IN "EXHIBIT A"; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-20 TO REVISE THE TIMES OF CERTAIN SCHOOL ZONES WHICH HAVE A 20-MPH SPEED LIMIT; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

ALL ORDINANCES ARE AVAILABLE TO BE READ IN FULL AT THE CITY OF AZLE, 505 W. MAIN STREET, AZLE, TEXAS 76087.

YAEL FORGEY, CITY SECRETARY, CITY OF AZLE

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ROY ROOSEVELT STONE, Deceased, were issued on July 14, 2021, in Cause No. 21P223, pending in the County Court of Parker County, Texas, to: RENATA JAVON STONE.

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.

> c/o: W. Faye Murphree, Attorney at Law, 337 W. Main Street, Azle, Texas 76020

DATED the 21st day of July, 2021. W. FAYE MURPHREE Attorney for RENATA JAVON STONE State Bar No.: 00792710 337 W. Main Street, Azle, Texas 76020 Telephone: 817-270-0030; Facsimile: 817-270-0085; fmlaw@earthlink.net

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON ADOPTION OF IMPACT FEES**

The Fort Worth Water Department is updating its water

and wastewater Impact Fees. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider updates to the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvements Plan and to the Impact Fees.

> Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2021 at 7 p.m. **City Council Chambers at City Hall** 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Any member of the public has the right to appear at the hearing

and provide input in support of or against the updates. A copy of the documents (Exhibit A, B, C, D, E and F) for the water and wastewater Land Use Assumptions Report and Capital Improvements Plan can be viewed at the Fort Worth Central Library, City Secretary's Office and Fort Worth Water Department. For more information, please contact Mary Gugliuzza at (817) 392-8253.

You can also view the water and wastewater Land Use Assumptions Report and Capital Improvements Plan by visiting the Fort Worth Water Department's website

at www.fortworthtexas.gov/water.

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & MEETING**

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION OF PELICAN BAY

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of August 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall, located at 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, Texas, the Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider recommendation of approval or disapproval to the City Council of a request for the zoning of the below described property to be SF-3 (Single Family Residential District-3) and TF (Two Family Residential [Duplex] District).

- Jacob Wilcox Survey #54, Abstract 1713 Tract 4C1 HS-10913 Liberty School Rd.-1.3 acres
- Jacob Wilcox Survey #54, Abstract 1713 Tract 4C01 Less HS-10913 Liberty School Rd.-1.7 acres
- Jacob Wilcox Survey #54, Abstract 1713 Tract 4C-10925 Liberty School Rd.-2.0 acres
- Jacob Wilcox Survey #54, Abstract 1713 Tract 4-10945 Liberty School Rd.-1.79 acres

Zoning regulations and maps are available for viewing at City Hall. Comments may be submitted in writing prior to the public hearing at City Hall or in person at the public hearing from all interested persons. All requests and comments should be directed in writing to: Teri Anthony, City Secretary, 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, Texas 76020, by mail, in person, or by email to secretary@cityofpelicanbay.com, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# ANNIVERSARY **Cheers to 60 years!**



Roy and Lana Chance are celebrating their 60th anniversary today. Both were born and raised in Azle and still call it home. The couple has been blessed with two daughters and four grandchildren over the years. Congratulations to the Chances on a long, happy life together.

# **Texas Real Estate Depot Ribbon Cutting**



**OPRY**, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.



Photo by Jessica McKinney

have hot coffee and ice-cold cokes in the cooler for 50 cents," said Sparks. "Everyone's welcome to come and listen, to visit, and to sing a tune."

There's no charge to come and listen, and the desserts are free. They do ask a little something for the soft drinks and coffee, and a can might get passed around for donations "just to help keep as a child, when the venue the lights on."

The Azle Opry was a laundromat in a previous shall and Vonnie Holmes.

According to some handwritten notes by Linda Wilson, one of the Holmes' daughters, it was "on a cold Friday evening in 1963," when Marshall and a few of his "music-loving friends gathered in a corner of the Coin-O-Mat to play country music."

Last Friday evening, the parking lot was already filling in an hour before the 7 o'clock showtime.

here early to make sure face and her foot tapping they get 'their' spot," said along to the beat. Sparks. Getting in before the music starts means hav- go repairs in the last few ing time to socialize.

Opry, you'll probably meet the Opry with 10 inches of plenty of the regulars who mud and water. The carpethave been attending since ing and stage were repaired the beginning.

Lydia remembers going ing on July 9. and dryers.

incarnation, owned by Mar- ing laundry while Daddy the crowd at the Opry. The played," Lydia said.

> Jackie, Lydia's mom, said husband of 66 years passed the rest of the night. away.

the time I was six years family and friends wanted old," Jackie said. "Told him to keep his legacy alive, and he'd have to wait until I was so the band at the Azle Opry big enough though, and we plays on. got married when I was 17."

as "mean as the dickens," "Just the way Marshall but as the band played, you wanted it."

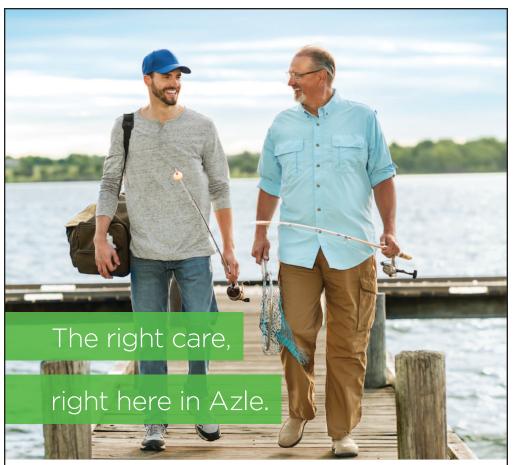
"The regulars will get could see a smile on her

The venue had to undermonths following the Ash When you're at the Azle Creek flood, which filled just in time for the reopen-

The house band, a group was still lined with washers of "mostly retired musicians," comes together ev-"Mom would be do- ery Friday night to entertain musicians play songs for the first hour and then singshe has been coming ever ers are invited to sign up to since 1976, even after her perform with the band for

When Marshall passed "We were engaged from away eight years ago, his

"We piddle and pick," Jackie described herself says friend Jerry Pierce.



The Azle Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Lisa Rener with Texas Real Estate Depot, LLC on Friday, July 23, 2021, to celebrate her new membership within the Chamber. Lisa Rener with Texas Real Estate is here to help make your dreams of home ownership a reality. For more information please call 817- 202-5720. Photo courtesy Azle Chamber of Commerce

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# Workforce commission announces job surge

The Texas Workforce Commission released June employment figures that showed Texas employers (texaslmi.com/) added nearly 56,000 jobs in June, while the unemployment rate dropped to 6.5%. "The Texas economy is booming," Gov. Greg Abbott said in a statement. ing laws during the pres- The special session in Aus-"Businesses are investing in the Lone Star State at a record pace because we>ve built a framework that allows free enterprise meeting with national Demto flourish and hardworking Texans to prosper." TWC's latest statistics show that the leisure and hospitality industry led all others members, according to KUT. in job growth, adding more than 19,000 jobs. Education and health services employment ranked second, adding 9,500 jobs in June.

#### **TEXAS DEMOCRATS** STILL HOLED UP IN D.C.

More than 50 Texas Democratic legislators remain holed up in a Washington, D.C. hotel, blocking an effort by Republicans to pass more restrictive vot- passage seems unlikely.



#### **CAPITOL HIGHLIGHTS By Gary Borders**

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

ent special session since state law requires at least 100 reps to have a quorum. The legislators have been ocratic leaders, such as Vice President Kamala Harris, but also dealing with an outbreak of COVID-19 among its At least a half dozen legislators, who say they were already vaccinated, have tested positive for the virus while in the nation's capital. The legislators are pushing for federal voting legislation, called the For the People Act, which has already passed the U.S. House but remains bottled up in the Senate. Without changes to the Senate filibuster rule,

tin ends Aug. 7, but Abbott has vowed to call another one if the Democrats remain absent, effectively stopping any legislation from passing.

#### PUC, ERCOT UPDATE **CONSUMERS ON GRID** RELIABILITY

In a joint press conference last Thursday, the chairman of the Public Utility Commission and the interim CEO of the Electric Reliability Council of Texas outlined steps their organizations are taking to improve electric grid reliability during the dog days of summer. The PUC oversees ER-COT, which is responsible for maintaining the electric grid. ERCOT has drawn

ary winter storm, and subenergy consumption during **ANNOUNCED** an early summer heat wave. "We expect there is sufficient generation to meet summer 2021 electric demand; however, there may be times when we will call on customers to conserve just as other grid operators across the country and around the world do. It's just another tool in the toolbox," Brad Jones, ERCOT interim CEO, said. "In response to a conservation notice, Texans may need to take some simple steps for a limited duration – such as doing laundry in the morning or running the pool pump at night instead of the afternoon – to ensure grid reliability." Abbott recently issued ex-

ecutive orders directing the

PUC and ERCOT to im-

prove grid reliability. Crit-

ics say the measures passed

in the last regular session to

address the issue fall short

of what is needed to ensure

another grid failure doesn't

blackouts during the Febru-

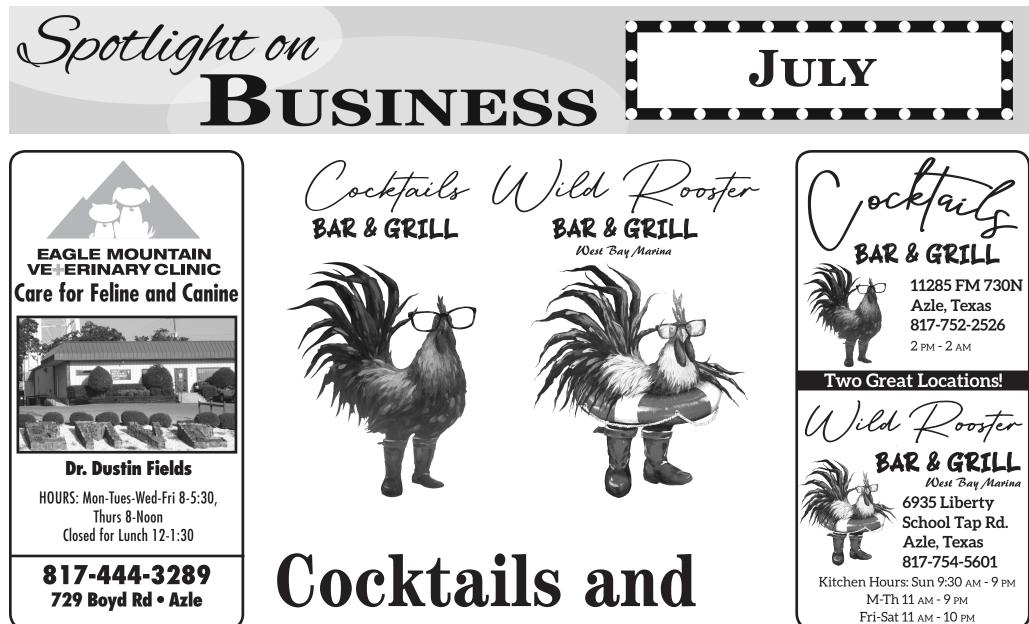
heat after the widespread occur.

## AS CASES RISE, NEW sequently pleading for less **POP-UP VACCINE SITES**

COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations are on the rise again in Texas, largely spurred by the highly contagious delta variant. The Texas Department of State Health Services is again hitting the road to encourage folks to get vaccinated. Rates of those who are fully inoculated continue to lag, particularly in younger populations. DSHS will hold 18 pop-up events at Walmart locations across the state to talk with parents and families about the importance of vaccination for younger Texans as they prepare for next school year and as the Delta variant spreads more widely in Texas. The DSHS pop-ups last four hours each day and will travel around the state through the first week of August. The events feature a 16-foot video wall, a "Take the Shot" basketball game, and free frozen treats.

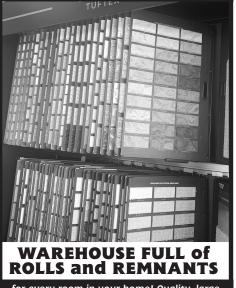
COVID-19 cases the past week in Texas continue to rise sharply, up 60% from the previous week, when cases nearly doubled. A total of 36,451 cases were reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University along with 190 deaths, flat compared to the previous week. However, hospitalizations continue to spike, with DSHS reporting 4,137 lab-confirmed COVID-19 patients in Texas, up more than 30 percent from the previous week. The number of Texans fully vaccinated rose slightly to 12.51 million, about 43 percent of the state's population. As the delta variant spreads, the state's positivity rate has exceeded 10% for the first time since February.

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





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They have karaoke every Wednesday night at 8 p.m. and live music every Friday and Saturday night. Check out their Facebook page for upcoming live performances.

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The open-view kitchen lets you see how your food is prepared and the restaurant is spotlessly clean and inviting. The food is fresh and delicious, and the staff is super friendly and welcoming.

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# SPORTS

# Azle band marches through the heat

#### **BY JEFF PRINCE** jeff@azlenews.net

Earning five minutes in "Antarctica" is a big deal when it's July in Azle, a heat spell has settled over the a.m. to 8 p.m. -- beginning area and summer band camp has begun.

tica," said Savannah Wambold, a freshman flutist in the Hornets marching band.

Antarctica is what band members refer to the collection of tents that offer shade, fans, misting sprayers and cold water.

"We're keeping a close eye on the kids," said Band Director Aaron Martin. "They are a little out of shape and not used to being out in the heat. We've got the tents set up for them to get out of the distancing and other measun."

Close to 100 kids were lined up and holding their instruments while standing ence was evident. on the hot pavement at an Azle High School parking lot. They practiced holding their instruments the right way, standing still and erect and then taking their first step on a routine. Martin told them they would go through it's very boring. We saw everything once more, and a glimpse of that through the section that did the best COVID last year. When the would earn five minutes of band wouldn't be here, it rest and relaxation in Antarctica.

win, but she and the others erything for the better." applauded for the kids that did – the euphonium players. The winners hustled over to the tents, sat down in the shade, let the misters tica, and he didn't want to be blast them with a cold spritz late returning to the parking and chatted about their sum- lot to continue practice. mers.

senior euphonium player, has marched with the band break. This year's contest since sixth grade. Back then, routine is called The Road he was told he had to take Not Taken, based on the a music-related class and Robert Frost poem. chose band over choir. Music seeped into his blood that year, and he forged deep relationships with other band half now, and we are really members. "When I went into high like a second family," he said. "Then, at times, it even became like a first family more than a second family. Our section is very much family oriented."

log long days this summer while preparing for the upcoming football and contest season. They practice from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day this week and go longer still -8next week.

Being in band is more than "I hope we get to Antarc- blowing a horn, Carmane said.

> "It teaches you how to build confidence," he said. "It teaches you how to be comfortable being uncomfortable. You get to have fun. You get to spend time with your friends and have a good time."

> Anyone who ever wondered what a band contributes to football games found out during last year's pandemic-plagued year. Social sures meant some games were held without the band in attendance. The differ-

"I've heard plenty of football moms who are diehard football fans say it's nothing without the band, just as if it would be nothing without the football team," Carmane said. "Without the band, would be a completely different atmosphere. When the Wambold's section didn't band joins in, it changes ev-

As he spoke, Carmane checked his watch continuously. Time was ticking on his five minutes in Antarc-

Martin, the director, was Jhonathan Carmane, a as eager as the kids to practice again after a summer



Sammy Reyes, a senior at Azle High, blows his horn along with fellow band members (counter-clockwise) Savannah Wambold, Evan Stockton, and Jackson Abraham during summer camp this week.

He and his buddies will

"It's a cool show," he said. "We've been working on excited to get it on the field."

school, it started to become to be done, but, with temperatures edging toward 100 degrees for the foreseeable future, Martin and his staff told the kids repeatedly to grab shade and water if they felt woozy.

this design for a year and a sun during the mornings and ple takes care of each other. take with them to any career and learning how to overmove inside after lunch.

There is plenty of work long days," he said. "It's problems, there is always trying to groom professional a pretty big commitment. There are a lot of hours. A lot of blood, sweat and tears."

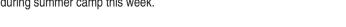
Band members earn relationships and habits that can working on here - time manlast a lifetime, he said.

If you are struggling with "Next week, we start the classes or having personal somebody here who will athletes. Sure, some high take care of you, whether it school players make it to is a director or another stu- that level, but the goal is to dent. The things they are prepare kids for adulthood. They will practice in the tin said. "This group of peo- — is something they can thing through to completion

they will get into."

"The big thing about these agement and the dedication activities is teaching a skill-"They get a family," Mar- to seeing something through set of being able to see some-

come adversity, something In football, coaches aren't all these guys have learned in the past year and a half," Martin said. "We've had adversity every step of the way with COVID, and they have overcome and overcome. This is just one more step in our process."







# **Azle Cheer brings the S-P-I-R-I-T**

#### **BY KAYLEE PIPPINS**

As Azle cheerleaders prefinal performance, a chant of A-H-S fills the air. Not from the Hornets, but from the other cheer squads.

Azle Cheer and Hornet Muscle always bring the spirit.

blue superior ribbon for our camp routine evaluation, sideline," Head Coach Haley Hopkins said with pride.

Yeah, you heard that right banana. Azle Cheer really brings the spirit.

team attended the Universal pyramid class." Cheerleaders Association pare to rush the mat for their cheer camp July 21-24 at class Azle was anxious to Great Wolf Lodge in Grape- begin: stunts. Lifting and vine, Texas.

cheer teams nationwide to seem dangerous to some, Hornet pride is infectious. come together during the but for Azle Cheer, it's just summer to learn cheer and another day's work. dance routines while prac-"At camp we received a ticing leadership and team- joyed stunt classes the work skills that will help most," Hopkins said. "They them throughout the year. love to increase their skills three spirit sticks, the spirit The 3-day camp consisted and challenge themselves, banana, and first place in of classes, workshops, and which is so important in a training followed by evalu- successful program." ations.

- a giant inflatable spirit sisted of connecting a band would hold evaluations to chant, offensive or defensive judge how well each team is sideline chant, and a cheer," retaining the material, grow-Led by Hopkins and As- Hopkins said. "They also ing their skills, and as an sistant Coach Fallon John- attended dance class, cheer opportunity to pass out the ston, the Azle Varsity cheer class, coed stunt class, and coveted spirit stick.

Though there was one tossing cheerleaders 10-feet The UCA camp allows or more in the air might

"The kids definitely en-

Each day, after classes "Game day class con- had ended, the UCA staffers



Azle Varsity Cheer competed at a UCA summer camp July 21-24. The team received three spirit sticks and the spirit banana which is given to the team who showed most spirit overall throughout camp.



The following cheerleaders were awarded an All-American recognition after competing at the camp: (L-R) Lauryn Rasco, Stevie Pfeifer, Captain Katy Conwell, Captain Garrett Gouyton, Camden Rushing, Jake Mobley, and Ava Edelman. Photos courtesy Haley Hopkins

receive awards for their

Not only did Azle Cheer Katy Conwell.

All-American recipients cheer skills, but many mem- include Captain Katy Conbers received All-American well, Lauryn Rasco, Stevie recognition, Pin-It-Forward Pfeifer, Ava Edelman, Cap-

showed that this team is prepared to work hard every day and put everything they have into this program in order to accomplish our goals

And as for the final performance that had the entire camp yelling A-H-S, the Azle Varsity Cheer team knows many eyes will be on them this year. But they are

The Hornets won first in sideline routine and 13 seniors were invited to tryout for UCA Staff following graduation.





Hituaries

## **Stephen Brent Batteas** 1982 - 2021

Stephen Brent Batteas, 39, passed away Thursday, July 8, 2021.

A memorial will be held Thursday, August 5, 2021 at 2 p.m. at Alexander's Midway Funeral Home, Springtown.

Stephen was born January 14, 1982 in Cisco.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lance Allred and brother, Austin Allred.

daughters, Minerva Batteas and Jimmy Murray; grandand Vermilion Batteas; son, children, Gabriel Sinclair and father, Terry and Billy Wayne Davidson. Renfro; sister, Sarah Renfro; brother, Dylan Renfro and wife, Emily Steller; grandparents, Linton and



He is survived by his Gail Batteas and Carole Gabriel Davidson; mother Davidson, II and Jackson care administration industry nie Ballinger; Coy Hunter

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## Maureen (Rusty) Ciecierski 1939 - 2021

Maureen (Rusty) Helen Ciecierski passed away peacefully at the age of 82 on June 9, 2021.

A celebration of life service will be at 11 a.m. on August 6, 2021 at Alexander's Midway Funeral Home, 3607 E. Hwy 199, Springtown TX 76082. No reception to follow.

Maureen was born on February 18, 1939 in Fall River, Massachusetts to and husband James; Russell Russell and Helen Canfield. most of her life, where she and wife Sara; Owen Bradretired from Cooks Chil- shaw and wife Sarah; Tedren's Hospital in 1994 as nea Intriago and husband Director of Finance.

by her husband Edward tany, Michael Grier and Alex Ciercierski and her wife Mallorie; and her great parents Russell and Helen grandchildren: Canfield.

her children:Lori Blanton and Llewyn. and husband Bobby; Robert Hunter; Randi Clifton

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Hunter; and Billy Hunter; She worked in the health- her grandchildren: Stepha-Adam; Quincy Hunter, She is preceded in death Nick Collins and wife Brit-Haylee, Natalie, Ian, Hayden, Gray-Maureen is survived by son, Lilly, Preslie, Aiden,

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Calendar

# JULY 29-31, 2021

#### TO SUBMIT CALENDAR ITEMS

The community calendar is a free listing in the Azle News to inform readers of programs, special meetings and nonprofit events. The event should be open to the public and free to attend. Information should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event for consideration. Email the who, what, when, where and why to azlereporter@ azlenews.net, with "calendar item" in the subject line. Calendar information runs in chronological order as space is available.

#### THURSDAY, JULY 29

UNBOUND BOOKCLUB meets virtually from 6 to 7 p.m. the last Thursday of the month. Adults of all ages can attend to discuss books that they are currently reading, have read, or want to read. To join, send an email to library@cityofazle.org at least 24 hours in advance to receive the Zoom link.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 30

AZLE OPRY will feature a live house band starting at 7 p.m. There will be cold drinks, hot coffee, and dessert for attendees. You can enjoy classic country and gospel music, plus a few fan favorites. Sign up and sing a tune with the band. Azle Opry is located at 125 Stewart St.

#### SATURDAY, JULY 31

COMMUNITY FEST is a free family event featuring food trucks, vendor booths, a kids zone with bounce houses and activities. Enter the beard contest or the corn hole tournament for a chance to win prizes. There will be auction and raffle items too. All proceeds go toward Servolution Network's future Dream Center. The event is located at 1801 S. Stewart Street and starts at 3 p.m.

**Rebecca Ramon Meraz** 1955 - 2021

Rebecca Ramon Meraz, 65, passed away peacefully at home Monday, July 26, 2021.

Service is at 11 a.m. Friday, July 30, 2021 at White's Azle Chapel. Interment at Ash Creek Cemetery. Visitation at 10 a.m. until service time Friday at White's Funeral Home.

Rebecca was born September 23, 1955 to Petra Lopez and Amailo Ramon. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her.



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Contemporary Worship-TMP	10:45 ам
Traditional Worship	10:45 ам
Evening Worship	6:00 рм
Wednesday Youth Refuge	6:00 рм
Wednesday Evening	6:15 рм

#### **LEGACY CHURCH**

Assembly of God Church	
Pastor: Gary D. Veazey	
Hwy. 199 & Jaybird Lane <b>817-221-2983</b>	
Morning Worship	;
Kidz Zone9:15 & 11:00 AM	
Wednesday Evening Legacy Group	
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THE ABBEY CHURCH Pastor: Paul Brownback 10400 Jacksboro Highway 817-238-1404 www.TheAbbeyChurch.com

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2200 Church Rd., Azle 817-444-1382

#### www.silvercreekumc.org

Worship ...... 10:30 AM

#### SILVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor: Jay Ditty Minister of Music: David Musick Corner FM 730 S. & Veal Station Rd. Church 817-444-2325

#### www.silvercreekbc.org

Sunday School	9:45	AI
Morning Worship	10:50	AI
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Sunday Evening	6:00 рм
Wednesday Evening	7:00 рм

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Saturday	5:00 рм
Sunday	9:00 ам
Sunday	11 ам (Spanish)
Daily Mass (M, T, Th, F)	8:00 ам
Wednesday	6:30 рм
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Pastor: Tim Stevens

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Sunday School	9:30 ам	1
Morning Worship	10:30 ам	
Wednesday Evening	7:00 рм	;

#### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor: Dr. Richard Reed 200 Church St., Azle 817-444-3323 Morn. Worship ...... 8:30, 9:45 & 11 AM Youth (UMYF) ...... 5:00 PM Sun & 6:30 PM Wed

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# **BOOK REVIEW** This Hollywood memoir is not about Tinseltown

#### BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

Just hold on.

Wait it out, don't quit, they say. Hang on, don't let go. Better times are coming. Just hold on – or, as in the new memoir, "Trejo: My Life of Crime, Redemption, and Hollywood" by Danny Trejo with Donal Logue, sometimes, you have to just let go.

The first time he went to jail, could get it. Danny Trejo was ten years old.

Within two years, he "was a regular at juvenile hall"; by the time he was in his early 20s, he'd spent time in several hard-core facilities, Soledad, Folsom, Alcatraz. He'd been "locked up, in and out but if He saved him. Once released, mostly in, since 1956" and he figured he'd die in prison.

Born at the tail-end of World War II, Trejo was taken from his birth mother as a toddler because his father thought she was neglecting the boy. Trejo's father taught him to be stoic, to stand up for himself, and to step up when someone needed to; his beloved Uncle Gilbert showed him how to survive the streets, and prison.

Gilbert also taught him to box, which allowed Trejo to gain respect behind bars.

Trejo knew Charles Manson. He worked as an inmate firefighter. Because he often ensured that vulnerable inmates weren't subject to violence or predation, guards came to appreciate him, and that led Trejo to better prison jobs. One of the last had placed him near where contraband entered the prison and soon he "ran the heroin bag..."

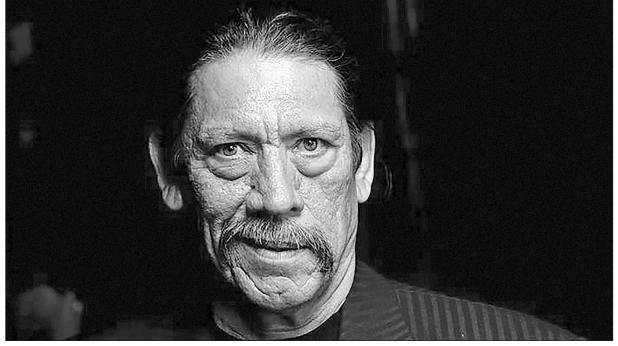
You needed something? He

And then he lost that job in a fight that almost put him on Death Row. Heroin, pills, alcohol, weed, machismo, he couldn't do it anymore and he says he began to talk to God, promising to help others that's what Trejo did: he gave up alcohol and drugs and began counseling other addicts and those on their way to prison.

And one of them mentioned that he was making money as a movie extra...

As Big Hollywood Memoirs go, "Trejo" is a very pleasant surprise, starting with the fact that most of it isn't about Hollywood.

Indeed, author Danny Trejo (with Donal Logue) places nearly the entire first half of his book in prison, among hardened crimi-



A story made for Hollywood: Danny Trejo's memoir is a tale worthy of the silver screen.

addicts, while partly weaving his

early life into his tales behind bars.

mize any of the impacts his family

had on it, an honesty that allows

for a curious trust between reader

But this is not a True Crime sto-

and writers.

nals, gang members, killers, and ry. Trejo and Logue switch their tale at the point where Trejo almost accidentally becomes a Hollywood Trejo doesn't hide anything in his extra, and the tone quickly changtime of crime, nor does he minies: darkness lifts from the narrative and it's almost... happy. By then, readers will be ready for that; add the lack of attention-grabbing name-dropping, and you'll be happy, too.

Courtesy photo by Gloria Hinojosa

This may be the most unique and gracious memoir you'll read this summer, so check it out. "Trejo" is a treasure, one you'll hold on to.

"Trejo: My Life of Crime, Redemption, and Hollywood" by Danny Trejo with Donal Logue c.2021, Atria \$27.00 / \$36.00 Canada 288 pages

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Experience a plus, but willing to train the right candidates. Must have a valid TXDL with acceptable driving record. Must be responsible and dependable. Monday-Friday work week.

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Springtown ISD is accepting applications for Bus Drivers and Monitors. Training available. Contact the Transportation Dept. 817-220-1418.

Local Builder/Developer looking for experienced Help. Must have a valid driver's license. Knowing how to operate machinery, being mechanically inclined and have carpentry skills are a plus. Send resumes to: tommymileshomes@yahoo.com.

Concrete removal company needs Full-time Class A-CDL Driver, Local - No Long Hauls. 817-919-0597; 214-435-2342.

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Local Pool Company is hiring a Pool Technician/Helper. Pay is depending on experience and skills. Call 817-613-8253.

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