



National Night Out

The Azle community gathered in Central Park on the evening of Oct. 3 to celebrate Azle's police, firefighters and EMS workers

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Azle Fire Marshal Kenny Wilson instructing a child, with their parent, on how to properly use a fire extinguisher in a controlled demonstration.

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Walnut Creek Special Utility District board members sign paperwork related to the bond funds the district is receiving to make infrastructure improvements. Clockwise from left is Board Secretary Beth Correll, Frank Henderson, Vice President Al Garrett, President Mike Gilley and General Manager James Blackwood.

Walnut Creek SUD moves forward on \$40 million bond sale

District to receive funds for infrastructure improvements on Oct. 18

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SPRINGTOWN — Walnut Creek Special Utility District's board of directors recently took another step toward receiving millions of dollars to improve water infrastructure. On Sept. 25, the board awarded the sale of \$40 million in bond funds to Wells Fargo. The district is expected to receive the money on Oct. 18.

The district received bids for the bond sale, and the bank Wells Fargo had the best bid with a 4.87% interest rate, Mark McLiney of SAMCO Capital Markets said during the board meeting. Because of the district's good finances, McLiney said the district will have an extra \$800,000 in its construction account at a lower interest rate and with lower debt service payments. After fees, the district is expected to receive

about \$38 million for construction plus the additional \$800,000. McLiney told the board the SUD is rated A-plus, which is not the highest rating available but still "well above the minimum investment grade." "They talked about in the rating and in their analysis that we are pushing the upward bounds of that A-plus, meaning looking toward the

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Tri-County Reporter urges community to "Fill the Pantry"

Local businesses challenged to donate staple foods to Community Caring Center

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AZLE — During a leaner holiday season, Azle's Community Caring Center (CCC) wants to make sure families can still celebrate like they used to. In addition to the regular staples, the organization plans to give out Christmas boxes containing holiday necessities like canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, and gravy to list

a few. "We believe the holidays can be a stressful time for families financially and by providing everything needed for a holiday meal, we can offer some relief and spread a little holiday cheer," CCC Director Kristie Cooper said. "If we can provide one happy meal, that's one less thing they have to worry about. It's the perfect time of year to do that during the holiday season."

Last year, the Azle News, now the Tri-County Reporter, encouraged local businesses and Azle area organizations to pledge a contribution to the center in an initiative known as Fill the Pantry. During an Oct. 3 chamber of commerce luncheon, the newspaper once again kicked off the challenge, calling on the Azle ISD, the Azle Police Department, the Azle Fire

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Joe Davis, warehouse manager, stocks recently-donated items in the center.



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Azle recognizes Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Future, Hope and Healing Center representatives and Azle Police speak on abuse in the community and what resources are available

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AZLE — “Abuse is subtle; it’s like a rattlesnake slithering through the grass,” Future, Hope and Healing Center board member Kathy Rankin said. “You don’t know it’s there until you hear the sound.”

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and advocates around the country are wearing purple in support of victims. At an Oct. 3 Azle Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon, leadership of the Future, Hope and Healing Center and Hope’s Bazaar spoke out about domestic violence in the Azle community after being introduced with a proclamation from Mayor Pro Tem Randa Goode.

“It’s important to be aware,” Executive Director Sally Daniels said. “It’s important to understand that domestic violence is not just a family issue, it’s a community issue. People in the community are affected whether they believe they are or not. Domestic violence affects the whole community, and nobody is safe if our homes are not safe.”

Azle Police Department’s head of patrol operations, Lt. Dora Scudder, was invited by the organization to pres-

ent statistics on the issue. According to Scudder, one in three women and one in four men in Texas will be victims of abuse by a partner. In Azle, the police have received 180 domestic violence calls since Jan. 1, 2020, amounting to 222 offenses and 162 victims.

“There are more offenses than calls because several instances result in multiple offenses,” Scudder said. “There are fewer victims than calls because unfortunately, we often respond to the same households; 18% of our victims are related to two or more instances. When we compare our numbers from Jan. 1 of last year to this year, we see an increase of 29%. We predict this trend will continue due to our increasing population. Domestic violence is real and unfortunately does exist in our community.”

Due to the increase in domestic violence cases, the Azle Police Department established a domestic violence unit in March 2023. The unit has conducted 54 follow-up investigations since its inception. When victims are ready to leave their situation, Azle PD will then connect them to Future, Hope and Healing for resources and a way out.

“It’s people like them that make a difference in our community,” Scudder said of the Future, Hope and Healing

staff. Scudder hopes the police will continue to further build their relationship with the center.

Future, Hope and Healing Center operates within and is funded by Hope’s Bazaar at 141 W. Main Street in Azle. Jennifer Mello, manager at Hope’s Bazaar, spoke on recent milestones at the resale shop and the mission of the non-profit. In September, the store set a new record with \$4,000 in monthly sales.

“One thing that is special about us is we each are survivors of domestic violence so there is a huge passion in our hearts for this mission to help others come out of the darkness,” Mello said. “We have weekly sales, and accept donations that are free of rips, stains tears, and are good quality, name brand items. We want to make sure that when a client comes into our store we are clothing them with dignity and respect. There’re many who come with absolutely nothing.”

Mello said those who leave Hope’s Bazaar often do so with restored confidence and their heads held high. Mello hopes one day the organization can expand by building a woman’s shelter in Azle.

According to Daniels, a resale shop in Bridgeport that supports Wise Hope, a



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Board Members Kathy Rankin, Jennifer Mello, Sally Daniels, Jessica McKinney, and Heather Carr.

women’s shelter in Decatur, reports that as many as 50% of its clients come from Azle.

Future, Hope and Healing Center provides victims seeking to escape their abusers with the first month’s rent, deposits, motel stays, free counseling and other essentials collected by the resale shop. This year, more than one-third of the nights of safe sleep provided by the center have occurred since mid-August.

“I will tell you, our numbers for the safe nights in some-

body’s own home, the deposits and utilities have doubled since our connection with the Azle Police Department’s domestic violence unit,” Daniels said.

On Oct. 19, Daniels will be speaking more about the issues surrounding domestic violence at Survivors Studio’s Community Information Night. Survivors Studio is located on the side of The Edge Church at 1313 Southeast Parkway in Azle. To reserve a spot for the 6p.m. event, text 817-415-0511 or email kar-

en@survivorstudioTX.com
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Lt. Dora Scudder speaking at the chamber luncheon.



Jennifer Mello speaking at the chamber luncheon.



Sally Daniels speaking at the chamber luncheon.



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No Place Rather Than Texas

Living in Texas is a privilege. It is exactly where I want to spend the rest of my life. I would not consider moving to another location, and in fact, if someone suggested moving somewhere else, I am certain I could not conjure up a place I would rather go.

I do enjoy traveling and love to visit places like the Monterey coast of California, feeling the energy and vibrancy of New York, and taking in the scenic beauty of the Ozarks. Those are all places to go and visit, not places I would choose to reside.

My heart tells me if I left Texas, I would miss the unique feeling of its people,



FROM MY FRONT PORCH

By Sam Houston

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

its places, and its style. I would yearn to drop into Joe T Garcia's or Mi Terra and experience some Tex-Mex cuisine. I would miss fresh Gulf shrimp, Texas smoked meats, and unique Texas style desserts like banana pudding, pecan pie, and peach cobbler.

There would be no place like Gruene Hall to drink a Shiner nor a bar called the Frosty Armadillo to consume a freshly made margarita.

I would miss diners located in out of the way places. The ones that serve a uniquely Texas chicken fried steak, with beans slowly simmered and laced with a hint of jalapeno. A place where the biscuits are the size of an oilfield roughnecks' fist, and where at a corner table each morning, a group of old men are slurping coffee while they gossip and discuss the news of the day.

I would disapprove of living in a place where a cowboy hat was seldom seen and where cowboy boots and rodeo were only an "attraction" which came to town once a year.

If I moved, my homesick mind would wander to imagines of live oak trees, the open plains, and the rolling hills. Wherever I was, the landscape would eventually grow tiresome and lose its luster because no matter what its attributes, it would not be Texas.

No place else could surpass the excitement of a high school football game, Texas sized homecoming mums, and the sense of community created by Friday night lights.

The sight of cattle grazing, an oilfield pump maintaining its never-ending rhythm, and the snow white of a cotton patch ready to be harvested, are not sights I wish to abandon.

Of all the places I have visited I have never seen women more attractive than those found in Texas, children who were more respectful to their elders, nor men who shook hands with more authority. No other location would be an improvement.

Perhaps most of all, I would miss passing people on the street, having them smile and say, "good morning" and knowing they mean it.

When the day comes

and I retire, there will be many places I wish to visit. Yellowstone and Yosemite are on the list. There will be a trip to Maine during the fall to witness firsthand a New England fall, a visit to the Smithsonian, and maybe one last trip to Europe. But I will always come back home to Texas. I will always be proud Texas is my home. I will never wash her imprint from my soul. If you are a Texan, you feel the same way.

Thought for the day: I may live in my own little world, but it is ok. It is my home, and they know me here.

Until next time...I will keep ridin' the storm out.
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Rep. Rogers condemns Defend Texas Liberty PAC president's meeting with white supremacist

STAFF REPORTS

AUSTIN — State Rep. Glenn Rogers, R-Graford, condemned conservative Texas activist Jonathan Stickland's recent meeting with a white supremacist.

The Texas Tribune reported that Stickland, who is president of Defend Texas Liberty Political Action Committee, hosted white supremacist Nick Fuentes and other conservative activists for several hours last week near Fort Worth. Defend Texas Liberty PAC is responsible for donating millions of dollars to high-profile Texas leaders.

Rogers encourages recipients of PAC's funding to return or donate money

Fuentes, 25, became prominent on YouTube around the time of 2017's deadly neo-Nazi rally in Charlottesville, Virginia. Fuentes' transgressions include describing Adolf Hitler as "really (expletive) cool," questioning whether the Holocaust happened, fantasizing about marrying a 16-year-old, calling for a "holy war" against Jews, "Catholic Taliban rule"

and "killing the globalists," and hoping things will get "uglier and a lot worse" for Jews and others.

Rogers also claimed Fuentes has referred to rape as "so not a big deal" and that Fuentes said Jim Crow laws were "better for them. It was better for us." Rogers condemned Stickland for meeting with Fuentes and said his willingness to con-

ference with Fuentes shows "Stickland still falls right in line with those disgraceful and abhorrent views."

"Antisemitism, salacious comments, and white-supremacist rhetoric have no place in our country and certainly no place in the GOP," Rogers said in a statement to The Tri-County Reporter. "It is extremely disappointing to see the reports that Jonathan Stickland, the president of Defend Texas Liberty PAC, met last week with known white-supremacist Nick Fuentes for several hours at his Pale Horse Strategies of-

office in west Fort Worth."

Rogers added, "While rockets fell on Israel, Stickland chose to court a Holocaust-denying figure."

The state representative for Parker, Palo Pinto and Stephens counties called for those who received money from Defend Texas Liberty to return the funds or give them to organizations that "work to repair the damage caused by Fuentes' caustic and antisemitic statements." He also has demanded the Parker County Republican Party approve a resolution to denounce Nick Fuentes and

condemn Jonathan Stickland and Defend Texas Liberty for hosting him.

"Words are important and that is why I hope all fellow Republicans will join me in saying, 'We will not tolerate Nick Fuentes and his extremist views and we condemn anybody who would offer him a platform to spread his antisemitic and inflammatory rhetoric,'" Rogers said.

Rogers has not received money from Defend Texas Liberty PAC or its subsidiaries, according to his District Director Gary Norman.

TxDOT to widen FM 730

STAFF REPORTS

Texas Department of Transportation is proposing to reconstruct and widen Farm-to-Market Road 730 from State Highway 114 to state Highway 199 in Wise and Tarrant counties.

The proposed project would widen FM 730 to a four-lane divided roadway from state Highway 114 to Reno Road and to a six-lane divided roadway from Reno Road to state Highway 199. The proposed project would also analyze current and proposed intersections, drainage, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, two-way left turn lanes, and overall safety enhancements.

The proposed project could require additional right of way and potential displacements, pending further detailed design considerations. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling 817-370-6950.

The proposed project would involve an action in the floodplain and construction in wetlands. Any environmental documentation or studies, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection by appointment Monday

More details to come during public meetings this month

through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Project materials are also available online at the address listed above.

TxDOT will conduct an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. The virtual public meeting will open at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 and close at 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8. To access the virtual public meeting, go to www.txdot.gov and search keyword "FM 730." The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation with both audio and visual components. Project maps and materials will also be available online.

In an open-house format, in-person attendees will be able to view the pre-recorded video, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants and leave written comments. The in-person meeting will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Ash Creek Baptist Church, 301 S. Stewart St. in Azle.

If you do not have internet access, you may call Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at 817-370-6772 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

The public meeting will be conducted in English and

some materials will also be provided in Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the public meeting, please contact Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at 817-370-6772 no later than 4 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 18.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "FM 730" once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the meeting, please contact Thomas Marquardt, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager, at (817) 370-6772, or Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov.



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Walnut Creek Special Utility District's Board President Mike Gilley signs bond paperwork on Sept. 25.

BOND

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AA Category, (it would) be something to keep striving for," McLiney said. "Y'all are doing very, very well financially."

McLiney said the bonds were sold with insurance, which moves the district's rating to AA. Bond insurance ensures payment to investors, even if that means loaning Walnut Creek a bond payment.

"They're putting their money where their mouth is," McLiney said. "They're guaranteeing it."

The insurance fee for the SUD's \$40 million bond costs \$86,000, which McLiney pointed out is a good deal compared to other entities selling bonds.

"We don't have taxing ability, so this is just off your finances," he said about bond insurance fees. "They're looking at it and saying our credit is really good. We're

managing an asset that is making money, adding connections, operating very well. So, they're really impressed with that. I think it's more important to see what the insurance companies say because they're betting on you. The rating agencies, they're just looking at your audit snapshot, interviewing, having a visit and moving on down the road."

Once the district receives the funds, the projects are expected to be sent out for bids in the latter part of November, said Bill Lohrke, senior project manager at E.S. & C.M., Inc.

"We'll be bidding those quite rapidly, sometimes two a day," Lohrke said.

There are close to 17 projects the bond will fund, Lohrke said. This includes adding a 4-million gallons-per-day filter to the water plant, improvements to boost the pump stations and a new booster pump station south of Springtown. The booster pump station will

have the booster pumps, storage tanks and an elevated tank.

"It will greatly expand this area south of Springtown," Lohrke said. "This is something that's really needed for the infrastructure."

The plan for the future is to build a new water treatment plant in about seven or eight years, but that will have to be included in another bond, Lohrke said.

"Right now, the treatment plant with these improvements will go to 12 million gallons a day," Lohrke said. "The new treatment plant we're looking at will go to 28 million (gallons) a day because of the growth."

The improvements made with the current bond will help prepare for the new plant, SUD general manager James Blackwood said. The general manager said he is glad to see the board move forward on the bond sale.

"I've got a lot of work to do," Blackwood said.

Harris Methodist Hospital awards auxiliary member for work at resale shop



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From left to right: volunteer and board member Mary Dement, Pat Groff with her award, Carla Dawson with Texas Health Resources, and board member Ferrol Miller.

Top HR official at Texas Health Resources presented Azle resident, Pat Groff, with Helping Hands Award

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AZLE — On Wednesday morning, Oct. 4, a Texas Health Azle Auxiliary member was recognized by Carla Dawson, chief people officer of Texas Health Resources, for her outstanding work at the Attic Reruns Resale Shop. Pat Groff, the recipient of the Helping Hands Award, is in charge of scheduling hours at the resale shop and has been helping out in that capacity since about 2018. Along with working in a managerial capacity, Groff also handles many of the day-to-day functions of the shop both in working with customers and

behind the scenes.

When no one else can make it or there's a surprise no-show, Groff gives up her Saturdays to be there. Dawson thanked Groff for being a great example of living the mission of Texas Health Resources by handling merchandise, working closely with shoppers and leading other volunteers.

"We're so blessed to have you serve with us," Dawson said to Groff. "I appreciate all you do here and in the community."

Attic Reruns is located at 714 Southeast Pkwy. in Azle and is open for business on Fridays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m.-

12:30p.m. Groff, who has 35 years of managerial experience, says the shop is a great place for her to spend her free time now that she's retired.

"We all get along and work together, everybody does their fair share," Groff said. "We've got a good crew. We really enjoy it; we joke, we kid and it's very enjoyable. I'm really glad I got it (the award). It makes me happy."

With the rapid growth taking place in Azle and the surrounding area, Attic Reruns is in need of additional clothing donations; likewise, Texas Health Azle's Auxiliary welcomes new volunteers.

Students of the month Azle students discuss accomplishments and plans at Rotary Club meeting

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AZLE — Four high-achieving Azle students were recognized as students of the month at an Oct. 5 Rotary Club meeting.

Shree Patel, who is ranked 14th in her class, is the daughter of Paul and Piyush Patel and is interested in attending Texas A&M University, the University of Texas at Austin — or Dallas — to study business and finance. Patel is on the A-Honor roll, is a National Honor Society (NHS) member and is a student athlete. Patel considers herself an empathetic extrovert and in 2022 was involved in a Health Science Clinicals Program where she worked full shifts at a long-term living facility to learn

what it's like to be a certified nursing assistant. Her favorite teachers are Ms. Roberts and Mrs. Jones. Outside of school, Patel is vice-president of the non-profit Suriti Leuva Patidar Samaj Youth.

Helen O'Neil is the daughter of April Reese and Charles O'Neil. She is interested in attending the University of Texas, University of North Texas, University of Texas at Arlington or Texas Women's University to study pre-med; she is already a certified nursing assistant and patient care technician. She is ranked 11th in her class and competed in the district championship for the 3,200-yard dash. O'Neil was also president of Azle High School's theater department. She considers herself very persistent and tenacious. Her favorite teachers are Tera

Bradshaw and Kelsey Jones.

Paul Leonard is ranked 18th in his class and is the son of Shawnie and Paul Leonard. Leonard hopes to attend Brigham Young University for engineering. Leonard is proud of his good grades, his work ethic and his optimism. His favorite teachers are Ms. Reasoner and Mrs. Bevan. He played the Tin Man in Azle High School's production of the Wizard of Oz last year. He has been involved in NHS, theatre, Peer Assisted Leadership (PALs), and chorale.

Madeleine Boivin is the daughter of Corrie Boivin. Boivin ranks 16th in her class and plans to attend UT Arlington, Texas Tech University, Texas Women's University or Tarleton University to major in nurs-

ing or the health sciences field. She is proud of being head drum major for Azle High School's Marching Green Pride and for getting a head start by having two

semesters-worth of college credit. She considers herself adaptable, friendly and self-disciplined. She has been involved in band, choir, NHS, Health Occupations

Students of America (HOSA) and American Sign Language. Her favorite teachers are Mrs. Burnham and Mr. Davis. She enjoys volunteering with her church, crafting and sewing.



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Principal Nate Driver alongside Leonard, O'Neil, Patel and Assistant Superintendent Matt Adams at the recent Rotary Club meeting.

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Are you feeling the strain of rising costs of the most basic expenses – fuel, utilities, and food? As our operating costs continue to increase, so are the number of families needing our assistance. CCC is now serving over 1,300 families each month and the numbers are continuing to grow. This is a 30% increase in the number of families served in 2022.

Our annual budget is being stretched to keep food on our shelves! Here's a look at how your donation will help:

Keeping our pantry shelves fully stocked is challenging. Our partnership with Tarrant Area Food Bank, gives CCC the ability to purchase large quantities of food for as little as \$0.15 per pound, so your dollar goes a long way. \$25 feeds a family of two for one week!

At the beginning of 2022, CCC added a Hygiene Corner to our Free Shop. Our Hygiene Corner budget and donated items are still not enough to keep up with the needs from our clients. Help us to supply our families with shampoo, body wash, tooth paste, feminine hygiene products, and laundry detergent. \$25 will supply a month's worth of hygiene products for one household!

In 2022, we provided 863 holiday meals to families in need through our Annual Christmas Boxes. As CCC has grown, so has this program. Based on the higher demand for food this year, we anticipate needing 1,000 boxes. \$25 will provide one Christmas Box, including meat, for one household!

CCC supports Azle ISD students by funding the Weekend Backpack Program, giving students who are chronically hungry, ready-to-eat meals and snacks each Friday. During the 2022-23 school year, we provided over 4,500 backpacks. \$25 will purchase six backpacks to ease the food insecurity of 6 students!

\$100 will help secure our inventory in all four categories!

For your convenience, there are multiple ways to donate online at www.communitycaringcenter.com or mail a check to the Community Caring Center 317 Commerce Street, Azle TX 76020.

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LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES

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Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, ASH CREEK SELF STORAGE which is located at 117 Locust St, Azle, Texas 76020 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be held from 10:00 AM 10/14/23 until 10:00 AM 10/25/23 online at www.storageauctions.com Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash or debit/credit. A cash deposit for removal and cleanup may be temporarily required. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property in each space may be sold item-by-item, in batches, or by the space. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of the following tenants, with brief description of contents in each space. Angel Scallion - Snap On/Husky tool boxes, tools, air compressor, chairs. James Taylor - Car ramps, vacuum cleaner, tools, chainsaw, jig saw, mattresses. Bob Davis - bicycle, drill press, office chair, desk, household/garage items, vacuum cleaner. Yvonne Grider - furniture, books, crafts, household items, shoes. Kelsey Walker - bicycles, furniture, decorations, household items.

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PANTRY

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Department and Pinnacle Bank to give and challenge others to donate.

"In addition to keeping our pantry shelves stocked and serving a higher number of families than ever before, we have set a goal of filling 1,000 Christmas Dinner Boxes," Cooper said. "This time of year is the busiest for us. It's also towards the end of our fiscal year so our operating budget is getting pretty lean. Fill the Pantry is the perfect timing to offer a little relief in our operating budget and help us meet our goals."

The biggest contributors from last year's initiative were the Azle ISD, Azle Christian School, Azle's fire and police departments and Pinnacle Bank. Last year during this period, between 11,000 and 12,000 pounds of food were collected. The CCC's biggest needs are canned goods, cereal, peanut butter, jelly and vegetables. Canned goods like vegetables, canned chicken, tuna, and pasta sauce are in especially high demand.

"That's why Fill the Pantry is so important because it's hitting some of the food pantry staple items that we need," Cooper said.

With food prices much higher than they were just a few years ago, the CCC has gone from serving an average of 500 families a month in 2019 to now serving an average of 1,250 families per month. Cooper said these numbers show no signs of stopping and they continue to hit new records month after month.

"Keep in mind the difference in cost of living, gas and groceries more than one year ago," Cooper said. "That's why we're seeing families who maybe could get by are no longer able to do that on their income."

Cooper believes community awareness and initiatives like Fill the Pantry are vital for the future of the center.

"We want that competition to happen between businesses and organizations across town and we want to get as much of the community involved as we can," Cooper said. "Azle is growing. We want it to be a fun interactive challenge on social media.

Spreading awareness of our organization and our mission is one of my goals for the Caring Center. CCC has been part of this community for over 20 years. The Fill the Pantry Challenge is a great way to remind everyone that we're here whether they want to support us, volunteer with us, or refer someone to our services."

While this remains the busiest time of year for the center and the end of the fiscal year, Cooper remains hopeful that Azle businesses and the community will pull together to make sure families can continue to thrive this holiday season.

"We knew we could get Azle businesses behind it," Cooper said. "We knew that because Azle is such a wonderful, caring community this initiative would be supported. We had tremendous support last year and the goal is to make the challenge bigger every year."

Donations for Fill the Pantry can be dropped off at the Tri-County Reporter office at 321 W. Main St. or at the Community Caring Center at 317 Commerce St.



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Tri-County Reporter Operations Manager Jessica McKinney issues the challenge alongside Kristie Cooper, Director of the Community Caring Center at the recent luncheon.



An example of the kinds of foods going into CCC Christmas boxes.



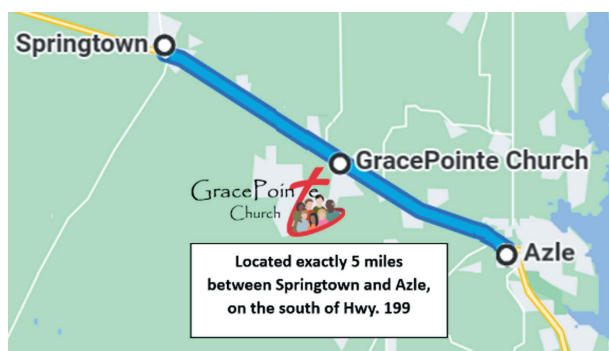
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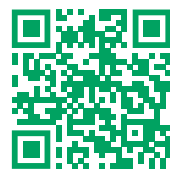
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GracePointe Church celebrates rededication of its ministry

STAFF REPORTS

PARKER COUNTY — GracePointe Church will celebrate a “rededication” of its ministry to the communities of Springtown, Azle and all “points of grace” in between on Sunday, Oct. 29, announced Pastor Tim McKeown, who came to the church earlier this year.

The church will mark the occasion with a sermon from its previous pastor, Dr. John Mann, who is the founding pastor of GracePointe Church. Two churches, Midway Baptist and LaJunta Baptist, merged in July 2019 to form GracePointe Church, located at 4110 East Hwy. 199, exactly five miles in between Azle and Springtown. Mann had previously served as pastor of LaJunta Baptist Church for nearly 20 years.

“This has been a season of a lot of change in a few short years, so we wanted to have a celebration time to reintroduce ourselves to the

Sunday, Oct. 29, 2023

community,” McKeown said. Following the merge of the two churches, GracePointe Church faced the COVID-19 shutdown in 2020, the departure of Dr. Mann in 2021, and an 18-month-long search for its new pastor.

Mann, who will attend with his wife Sandy, will preach Sunday morning at the 11 a.m. service, and two former long-time Texas Baptist pastors, Dr. D.L. Lowrie and Rev. Ray Rogers, will lead dedicatory and benedictory prayers, respectively.

Dr. Mann is now associate professor of business and theology at Texas Baptist College on the campus of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, where he previously served as adjunct professor at both the graduate and undergraduate level. Prior to his role at Texas Baptist College,



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Dr. John Mann

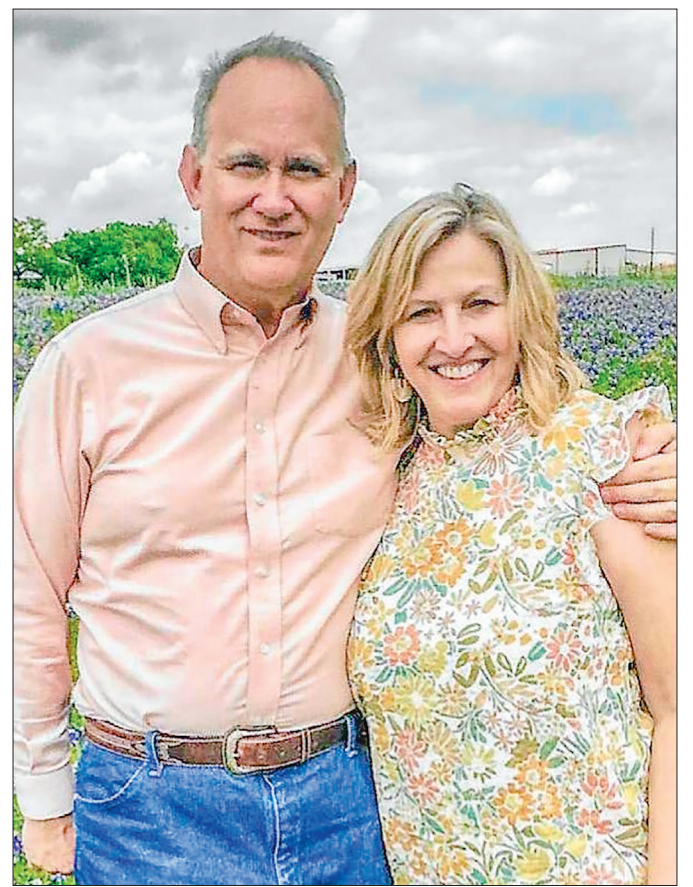
Dr. Mann served as the executive vice president and interim vice president of academics at Jacksonville College. He also served at Jacksonville College as interim president for the 2022-23 academic year.

Brian Price, a deacon at the church and chairman of the

search committee which interviewed and recommended McKeown to the church, stated he wanted to coincide the rededication in October with Pastor Appreciation Month.

“It’s been exactly two years since God led Dr. John Mann to become vice-president and then interim president at Jacksonville College,” Price said. “Under the guidance and leadership of GracePointe’s Executive Pastor Matt Tucker and Interim Pastor Dr. Richard Taylor, our pastor search team was voted on and formed to seek our next senior pastor.”

“As we all know, God moves in so many ways that our minds can’t begin to comprehend,” Price added. “The pastor search team was introduced to Tim and (his wife) Melissa through a mutual friend of Dorlis Creager, who also served on the search committee. As a team, we unanimously voted to recom-



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Pastor Tim McKeown and his wife, Melissa

mend to the church that Tim McKeown be our new pastor.”

Tim and Melissa McKeown are both from Weatherford and have served in minis-

try throughout Texas for 30 years, including First Baptist Church of Whitt and First Baptist Church of Millsap in Parker County.

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OBITUARIES

Tina Aaron 1960-2023

Tina Marie (Trowbridge) Aaron passed away on Oct. 2, 2023 in the intensive care unit at Wise Regional Hospital following a long illness.

Tina was born April 27, 1960 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; daughter of Pat and Mary (Eaton) Trowbridge. Her family moved to Texas in 1963.

She met the love of her life, Doyce Aaron, and they were married on March 12, 1982. They spent 41 happy years together.

Tina was a graduate of Texas Christian University, earning a bachelor's degree in 1999. She was an educator by vocation and taught school at Springtown ISD from 1999-2006 and at Decatur ISD from 2007 until her retirement in 2019.

She is preceded in death by her parents.



Survivors include her loving husband, Doyce Aaron; daughters, Melissa Balesis (Jason) and Toni Aaron; granddaughter, Lilly, all of Springtown; and twin siblings, Pamela Trowbridge McMillen and Patrick Trowbridge.

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Gary Dohm 1951-2023

Gary Martin Dohm passed away on Oct. 3, 2023 peacefully.

Family will have a private celebration of life.

He will be missed by all his family and friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Lorraine Dohm; sister Paula Vaughn; niece Angie Kratz; and close friends Floyd and Elise Galloway.

He is survived by daughter Renee (Troy) Sater; grandchildren Matthew Huss, Courtney (Dylan) Reneau, Cody Sater, Troy James Sater and Megan (Dustin) Cooling; great-granddaughters Jasmine, Lilly, Brooke, Winter and Aria; niece Cheryl Fowler (and fam-



ily); nephew Dale Gjertson; close family friend Megg Galloway.

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Sarah "Louaida" White 1942-2023

Sarah Louaida Burrows White, 80, of Springtown, passed away Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023 in Bucyrus, Missouri with her family by her side.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 at First Baptist Church of Springtown, 500 N. Main St. Online condolences may be left at www.evansfh.com. Arrangements entrusted to Evans Funeral Home.

Louaida was born Nov. 25, 1942 in Crowell to Orville and Ruby (Riley) Burrows.

She married Jimmy White on April 28, 1962, in Berger, Texas.

Louaida had many hobbies throughout her life. She enjoyed painting and she would read almost anything but did not care for fiction.

She was a writer. She wrote many poems, and her letters could qualify as books. She enjoyed bowling twice a week at Cowtown Bowling Alley for the last few years of her life. She also enjoyed the outdoors; fishing was her favorite. If she decided she wanted to do or learn something, she'd make her mind up and then do it.

Louaida was a member of the First Baptist Church in Springtown for 33 years where she volunteered in the children's department for a number of years and later helped with Wednesday night meals.

Louaida's family was her pride and joy. She spent many hours making phone calls to check in with them,



then she would start down her long list of friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, Dennis White; brothers, Richard and David; and two infant brothers.

Louaida is survived by her children, Kevin (Deanna) White of Florissant, Colorado; Antler White of Springtown; Colene (Don) Dodd of Quinlan; and Katie (Shane) McNeely of Bucyrus, Missouri; grandchildren, Daniel, Savannah (Sonny), Deanna (Adam), Keeleigh, Jessica, Macie, Nicholas, Bryce, and Joey; great-grandchildren, Cadence, Melody, William, Jackson, Cason, Morgan, and Makenna; sisters, Darlene Jones of Lewisville; sister-in-law, Sue Jones Duvall of Woodboro; sister-in-law, Lois "Susie" Purcell of Fort Worth; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family and a lifetime's worth of special friends.

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Thomas Babbitt 1957-2023

Thomas Lee Babbitt, 66, died peacefully at his home in Azle on Friday, Sept. 29, 2023, after a long battle with cancer.

Arrangements for a service are pending.

Thomas was born Sept. 28, 1957, in Dallas, Texas, the firstborn child of Homer and Dorothy (McGrath) Babbitt. When Thomas was about age 12, his father purchased a farm in Fannin County where they started a small herd of Santa Gertrudis cattle. They visited this farm every weekend and Thomas grew to love the outdoors and dreamed of a life where he could be out by himself seeing the stars at night. He often commented that he was born about 100 years too late.

Thomas graduated from LV Berkner High School in Richardson as an honor student. He excelled in mathematics to the extent that his teacher arranged an interview with representatives from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who offered him a full scholarship to MIT. Thomas refused to accept this offer, stating that he wanted to raise cattle.

Following his graduation from high school, Thomas attended the University of Houston for two years and later attended Texas A&M University in College Station where he was enrolled in its hog production program. Thomas formed a partnership with his father and operated a successful farrow-to-finish hog operation in Crawford for several years until the packing plant in San Antonio closed, making the operation no longer feasible.

Thomas established a construction business, focusing on remodeling as well as new construction in high quality, larger homes in the DFW area, such as Westover Hills, Rivercrest, Mira Vista, etc.



His talent and demand for critical levels of quality in his work earned him a reputation with builders such that they were willing to wait months for him to work on their construction projects. He later switched from wood construction to using steel and continued to do steel construction until 2022. Thomas was well-respected, honest, hardworking and very detail oriented in everything he did.

Thomas loved to build furniture, hunt, and spend time with his family. He was an incredibly supportive and loving dad and the best Pawpaw any child could possibly wish for. Thomas was a man of few words but made sure in the end he had said everything that needed to be said to the ones he cared about.

Thomas was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Babbitt.

He is survived by his father, Homer Babbitt of Weatherford; sister, Linda Babbitt of Weatherford; daughter Kaitlyn (John) Bow of Azle; and grandchildren, Caleb, Easton, Corbin, Clara and Jackson Bow of Azle, as well as several cousins in Texas and Missouri.

"I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith."
Ref: 2 Timothy 4:7 NIV

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Springtown voters prepare for another bond election

STAFF REPORTS

On Nov. 7, voters in Springtown will have a chance to vote once again on a \$120,780,000 bond referendum to benefit the Springtown Independent School District.

This bond election comes on the heels of a failed vote for the same amount that narrowly fell short in May. If passed, the bond will provide funding to add seats for an additional 1,400 students by building a new middle school, converting the intermediate school into a fourth elementary campus, and creating a ninth-grade center in the current middle school.

The bond, if passed, will increase the interest and sinking tax rate (the tax rate levied by districts to pay for any bond debt that may have been issued to fund the construction of schools and facilities) by 17 cents per \$100 of property evaluation. However, with the recent tax decrease of 18 cents by trust-

ees, taxpayers will still pay a penny less than a year ago.

"SISD leadership has worked hard since May to determine the best way to move forward as our student enrollment continues to climb," board president Rick Beall said in a release on the school district website.

Beall noted the district has retained a new financial advisor, a new architect and a bond planning team. He's also hoping residents will take time to learn more about the projects proposed, tax rates, ballot language, and ask questions before casting their vote.

A town hall meeting was held Oct. 9.

Any Springtown ISD resident who is registered to vote may cast a ballot in this election. Voters will have from Oct. 23 to Nov. 3 to cast ballots during early voting.

Residents are encouraged to visit www.springtownisd-bond2023.com for more information.

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Fort Worth — For 40 years, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) have worked to speak up for abused and neglected children in Tarrant County. When a home is deemed unsafe and a child must enter foster care, a judge may appoint a CASA volunteer to guide that child to a safe and permanent home as quickly as possible. CASAs engage in legislative advocacy, attend meetings with children, and fight for foster kids' best interests in court to ensure they don't slip through cracks within Child Protective Services and the legal system.

On Thursday, Oct. 19 CASA of Tarrant County will host its annual Kids on Canvas event from 5:30-8 p.m.

CASA Kids on Canvas is a one-night gallery event showcasing artwork created by children of all ages that are currently in foster care. Patrons can donate and bid on the artwork to have the opportunity to take the unique art pieces home with them. This event will help raise funds for critical advocacy and support services to the volunteers who advocate on behalf of the abused and neglected children in Tarrant County.

In 1977, a Seattle Superior Court Judge named David Soukup was concerned about trying to make decisions on behalf of abused and neglected children without enough information. He conceived the idea of appointing community volunteers to speak up for the best interests of



COURTESY AMBER WATSON

Each art piece up for auction at Kids on Canvas is uniquely handmade by children in the foster care system.

these children in court. He made a request for volunteers; 50 citizens responded, and that was the start of the CASA movement. In 1983, Judge Scott Moore of the 323rd Judicial District and other community volunteers formed the original steering committee that brought the CASA concept to Tarrant County.

Advocates claim children with a CASA have shorter

lengths of stay in foster care compared to children without a CASA, children are less likely to re-enter care once they find a permanent home and are more likely to pass all classes in school, less likely to have behavioral issues in school, and less likely to be expelled. The CASA organization estimates it saves taxpayers \$2,444,000 per year by reducing children's time spent in foster care.

With an all-time high turnover rate for CPS caseworkers, according to The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, and a critical shortage of beds and space in the foster care system, foster kids need more support than ever.

"Without the support of the community and all of our volunteers' hard work CASA would not exist," Amber Watson, a CASA Advocate

said. "CASA is successful because of everyday people like you and me stepping up for the cause and being the change for our children who need us the most. We all can make a difference in our children's lives whether it be by volunteering, being a helping heart, donating, becoming a sponsor, or just by spreading the word about CASA."

The event will be held at the 4 Eleven venue on 411 S. Main

St. in Fort Worth. One ticket (age 13+) for CASA Kids on Canvas is \$15 and includes food and drink, raffle prizes, child-friendly activities, and a silent auction. Children under 12 are admitted for free. CASA of Tarrant County is also selling sponsor packages between \$200 and \$5,000. To learn more, visit www.speakupforchild.org/canvas.

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News From Azle City Hall

We welcome your comments or suggestions on information you would like to see reported on this page. Please call Azle City Hall, 817-444-2541, or email Assistant to the City Manager Susie Hiles at shiles@cityofazle.org. Until next month.....

2023 Azle Arbor Day FREE Tree Giveaway



The City of Azle is hosting its Second Annual Arbor Day celebration! This year we have 160 trees we're giving away **FREE to Azle residents**, including Red Oak, Live Oak, Bur Oak, Tonto Crape Myrtle (pink blossoms), Natchez Crape Myrtle (white blossoms), Cedar Elm, and Chinese Pistache!

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SPRINGTOWN Police Blotter

Oct. 1 to Oct. 8, 2023

10/01/2023:

Criminal Mischief- Caller stated welcome mat was moved. Officer investigated and found no threat.

Assist other Agency - Assist Parker County Sheriff's Office with verbal domestic disturbance.

Medical Emergency- Assisted EMS

911 Accidental Dial - Confirmed with caller no emergency.

911 Accidental Dial - 400 block East Hwy. 199 Officer responded and confirmed no emergency.

10/02/2023:

Assist other agency - Domestic Disturbance. Assisted Parker County Sheriff's Office

Medical Emergency- 400 block Pojo Drive - Officers assisted EMS.

Major Accident - 900 East Hwy. 199 - Two vehicle accident with road blockage and injuries. Crash report completed.

On-View Arrest - 1200 block South Main Street - Driver arrested for driving while license invalid with previous convictions. Transported to the Parker County Jail.

Drug Investigation and Arrest - 100 West Hwy. 199 - Subject arrested for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance in Penalty Group 2 (over 400 grams) and transported to the Parker County Jail.

10/03/2023:

Traffic Hazard - 2000 block East Hwy. 199 - Hay bale in roadway. Officer cleared roadway.

10/04/2023:

Motorist Assist - Thomas Road and North Main Street - Officer provided traffic control while tire was changed. Child in Need of Supervision - 500 Pojo Road - School Resource Officer responded.

Drug Investigation - 500 Pojo Road - Officer found no criminal activity and referred the incident to school administration. 911 Accidental Dial - Sculptor's Park - Officer confirmed no incident and cleared.

Child in need of supervision- Two female juveniles reported to be attempting to get into drainage ditch.

10/05/2023:

Juvenile Assault - Female juvenile taken into custody and transported to police station to be processed before being released to parents.

Burglary of a Vehicle - 700 block West Hwy. 199 Complainant arrived at police department to report his vehicle was burglarized and his firearm was missing. Offense report forwarded to CID.

Animal Surrender - Caller requested to be allowed to voluntarily surrender their animal to the Springtown Shelter. Called advised shelter at capacity. Put on waiting list and referred to animal rescue organizations.

Burglary - 100 East Hwy. 199 - Subject attempting to remove money from game machine. Subject fled on East Hwy. 199 and was not located. Offense report forwarded to CID.

10/06/2023:

Suspicious Persons - 300 block West 4th Street - Two female subjects going door to door alleging they work for the City of Springtown and were giving free home energy tests. No such activity being conducted by any City employees. Officer unable to locate subjects.

10/07/2023:

Harassment - 700 block North Ash Terrace. Complainant advised they did not want to get up to meet officer, would contact PD the following day.

Citizen Assist - 100 block West Hwy. 199 - Female subject called 9-1-1 and hung up. When dispatch called back subject requested ride to Fort Worth. Dispatch advised officers would not be able to transport her to Fort Worth. Suspicious Person - 100 block West Hwy. 199. Female subject sleeping in bathroom and sitting on floor in front of soda fountain. Officer made scene and spoke with both parties. Citizen offered female subject ride to Fort Worth.

Welfare Concern - 600 block North Avenue D - Caller advised resident's mailbox overflowing with two weeks of mail and storm door shattered. Officer made contact with female subject and confirmed no issues.

Citizen Assist - 600 block North Avenue D - Female

resident requested assistance cleaning up glass from shattered storm door. Officer arrived and aided with cleanup.

Minor Accident - 900 block West Hwy. 199. Caller advised two vehicles involved in minor accident and parties had exchanged information. Called wanted to verify that a police report was not necessary. Due to second party having left scene following information exchange, it was not possible to generate report. Vehicle and driver information entered into call notes.

Criminal Trespass - 500 block South Main Street. Complainant advised female subject had been asked leave premises multiple times and complainant wanted subject to be issued a criminal trespass warning. Subject was not on scene when officer arrived, advised complainant to call again if subject returned.

Burglary of a structure - 500 block East Hwy. 199. Caller advised storage unit was broken into 2-4 weeks ago and approximately \$2,000 in property was missing. Officer completed offense report. Referred to CID.

10/08/2023:

Ordinance Violation - Soliciting without a permit. Hilltop Drive and Hwy. 199. Advised female subject soliciting requires a permit.

Traffic Hazard - 400 block South Main Street. Resolved without incident.

Complaint - Male subject reportedly riding dirt bike on roadway and on private in neighborhood in Park Place. Officer searched Park Place and Creekview Apartments, unable to locate subject.

Assist Other Agency - 3100 block East Hwy. 199. Burglary in progress. Subject located and released to Parker County Sheriff's Office.

Traffic Hazard - 900 block West Hwy. 199. Vehicle reportedly leaking gas and oil on roadway. Transferred to Parker County Sheriff's Office due leaving city limits prior to officer locating vehicle.

Noise complaint - 600 block of East 6th Street.

Assist other Agency - Isabella Lane and Old Springtown Road. Burglary in progress. Officer detained male subject, released to Parker County Sheriff's Office.

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Crafty Quilters:

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Last Monday Matinee:

Join us for a new release movie for adults on the big screen in the Library Community Room! Movies begin at 2 PM on the last Monday of each month. Free popcorn and bottled water provided. No children, please.

- **October 30:** *My Happy Ending* (rated R)
- **November 27:** *Gigi and Nate* (rated PG-13)

Thanksgiving Pie Banner Craft for Adults - November 6, 4 PM:

FREE 2-hour class to create a pie themed banner! Supplies & instructions provided. *Adults only, please. Reservations required. Call 817-752-2682 to reserve your spot.*

Free Baking Class - Quick Breads - November 13, 4:30 PM:

Adults and older teens are invited to a free class in the Library Community Room about baking quick breads! Learn helpful tips, recipes, fun facts, and try samples! No sign up required.

Teen Gaming Night - November 14, 6 - 7:30 PM:

Ages 13-17 are invited to play a variety of games, such as Super Smash Bros, on the Library's new Nintendo Switch. Librarians will be on hand to help new gamers. *Please register in advance by calling 817-752-2682. Parent is required to be in building for anyone aged 13.*

Retirement Planning 101 - November 16, 6:30 PM:

The non-profit, Association of Financial Educators, will be in the Library Community Room to provide information for those ready to begin planning their retirement. Perfect for younger and middle-aged adults who need to develop a plan or make sure they are on the right track. *FREE, but please register in advance by calling 817-752-2682.*

Change Your Smoke Detector Batteries

The National Fire Protection Assoc (NFPA) recommends you change the battery in your smoke detectors the same day you change your clocks from daylight saving time to standard time in the fall.

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on November 5.



Scan for more information on what's happening in the City of Azle or visit us at www.cityofazle.org.



Azle Café employee receives free car

Tammy Herrin grateful after receiving car donated by Weatherford-based Operation Texas Strong

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AZLE — For the last eight or nine months, 63-year-old Tammy Herrin has worked at Azle Café and despite constant car problems, has always made an effort to be there at her best.

"She bought a mini-van and has had nothing but trouble out of it," Sabrina Pyle, owner of Azle Café said. "It never starts and when it does start, it might run 10 miles per hour, but she wasn't using it as a crutch to get out of work. Yesterday, she called me and said, 'I'm sorry to do this to you, but I need a ride.'"

Pyle described how, even after installing a new engine, Herrin's car continued to be unreliable and how, through no fault of her own, she was unable to acquire the car's title. Even in the midst of so much bad luck, Pyle said Herrin never let it show and has been a Godsend for the shorthanded business.

"She's just positive and upbeat," Pyle said. "It doesn't matter how tired or stressed I am, she just reminds me, you got to have faith."

Pyle wanted Herrin's good deeds and faith to be repaid and after a visit by some restaurant regulars, found a way. Operation Texas Strong is a Weatherford-based non-profit run by Bobby and Peggy Crutsinger. Since 2021, the organization has provided mobile homes, campers and recreational vehicles

to homeless military veterans in need. To date, the Crutsingers have provided shelter by giving away approximately 250 vehicles.

After recently receiving a 2005 Honda Civic from a veteran family in Aledo, the Crutsingers began looking for a recipient who might need it. By happenstance, the Crutsingers had made Azle Café their weekly breakfast spot and had developed rapport with Pyle.

When Pyle asked the couple if they knew anyone who might be able to solve Herrin's problem, they knew they had found their candidate. On Friday, Sept. 29, the Crutsingers and Pyle surprised Herrin by handing over the keys to the relatively low-mileage well-maintained Civic in the Azle Café parking lot. Herrin had been reaching out to other non-profits for assistance and transportation with little success but says Operation Texas Strong's donation came as a complete surprise.

"This is so awesome," Herrin said. "I don't know what to say, thank you very much! I never had anyone do anything like that for me. It's going to make me feel like I can stay alive a little bit longer, honestly. The other vehicle I had was just dying in the middle of the road. Every morning when I'd get in that vehicle I'd go, 'Lord keep me safe and get me to work without any problems.' This is a miracle."

Bobby Crutsinger says his organization needs more donations, cars, trucks, RVs, campers, and volunteers to keep doing their good work around the state. While many benefactors of the non-profit are in Parker County and surrounding areas, Crutsinger has gone as far as South Padre Island to deliver RVs.

"I'm not rich, I'm blessed," Crutsinger said. "It's not about the money, it's about helping people. I believe in helping people out."

Along with providing donated vehicles, the organization also raises money to help others through its resale shop. Caitlyn, the Crutsingers' daughter, was in tow during the delivery of the Civic to Herrin and the Crutsingers' sons can often be found working behind the counter or in the storage area of their shop.

"Everything we do involves our children," Peggy Crutsinger said. Caitlyn hopes for the non-profit to be her family legacy and plans on passing it down when she has kids one day.

"They're awesome people," Pyle said of the Crutsingers. "They work their tails off and I believe (Herrin is) truly deserving of it."

Later this month, the Crutsingers hope to continue blessing others with their yearly Christmas giveaways but with a new twist. Operation Texas Strong will be the starting location for the First Annual Toy Run



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Tammy (right) hugging Peggy Crutsinger (left).

on Oct. 21. Vehicles of all kinds are invited to join a caravan traveling from the Crutsinger's resale store at 1507 Ranger Highway, Suite 103 in Weatherford to Boondocks PK Bar & Grill on Possum Kingdom Lake. Drivers can either bring a gift or a \$10 donation to drop off at their choice of boxes at the resale store, Palo Pinto Volunteer Fire Department or at Boondocks.

The event is in collaboration with Austin's Sunshine Foundation and the Lonestar Syndicate Social Club. Lineup will begin at the Crutsingers' shop at 10 a.m. Oct. 21.

Toys collected by

Operation Texas Strong will be given to families in Parker County throughout November and December. Crutsinger is asking for unopened new toys and clothes for children.

"When I was a kid, I didn't have toys under the tree," Bobby Crutsinger said. "So I know how it feels when you wake up in the morning and say, 'hey, I got toys.' It's not just about the toy, it's about families being able to help each other, to work things out, give people spirit and to know what Christmas is all about."

Through their experience, the Crutsingers have learned many families are self-con-

scious about receiving charity, so they have designed a process where families can schedule a time and date to come to the resale shop for their children to pick out the items they'd like in a private setting. Last year, they were able to serve 486 families around Christmas time, Crutsinger said.

"We just want to make sure all the kids have toys in Parker County," Bobby Crutsinger said. "I just want to see a big turnout. This is in support of the Parker County kids, all the communities working together to show kids they're loved and wanted."

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Azle native named Tarrant County Administrator after historic retirement of G.K. Maenius

Merritt outlines his thoughts and hopes going forward as Tarrant's second-ever county administrator

ZACH FREEMAN

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Fort Worth — On Sept. 30, an era in Tarrant County history came to an end. G.K. Maenius, the longest-serving county administrator in Texas and Tarrant County's first administrator, retired. Since 1988, Maenius has shaped the county through his foundational 35-year tenure, overseeing a doubling of the county's population. The commissioners court plans to rename the Tarrant County Administration Building after Maenius.

Chandler Merritt, an Azle native and former assistant county administrator, took the reins Oct. 1.

"I'm proud to say I was raised right here in Azle," Merritt said. "I went from kindergarten all the way through to the graduating class of 2000 at Azle High School. In fact, every morning I drop my two oldest kids off at Eagle Heights, the same elementary school I attended all those years ago. My father served on the Azle City Council. When I was younger, I attended some of those meetings, quickly learning just how im-

portant and meaningful the work was that he performed in public service. This created a sense of public service in me, a passion I hold to this very day as the new Tarrant County Administrator. In high school I was a proud member of the Marching Green Pride as a member of the drumline and served as leading crew chief. From trick-or-treating to swimming lessons, I did it all in Azle."

Merritt's long history of administration and service in both the public and private sectors and his familiarity with the county make him one of the most qualified successors of Maenius' legacy.

"I was in the role of assistant county administrator for over two years and before that chief of staff to the county judge for four," Merritt said. "During my time in the county judge's office, I was quickly schooled in the ways of county government and how it is similar (but definitely not the same) as city government. Interacting with the many county departments as well as the 69 independently elected officials, I learned just what services the county provided

as an administrative arm to the State of Texas. From vital records to public health and safety, to the criminal justice system, Tarrant County serves as the core functional piece of local government to support its citizens. As an assistant county administrator, my portfolio included core functional departments of the county such as emergency management, fire marshal's office, facilities, information technology, and the medical examiner's office. However, being in the administrator's office and with the design of county government, there is always additional cross-functional work which provided me exposure to all county departments under and outside of the commissioners court."

Having served directly under Maenius, Merritt has overseen approximately 400 employees and a \$300 million budget.

"Following in the footsteps of the longest-serving county administrator in Texas will never be a walk in the park, especially when I walk in every day and see his name on the administration building," Merritt said. "But I'm hon-

ored to call him a friend and a mentor who has really helped me develop my leadership style. Mr. Maenius is nothing short of a legend who was able to successfully lead the county for the past 35 years when the population was over one million less in population than it is today. That being said, when he tells me 'you are going to do just fine,' it brings about a confidence and a sense of purpose in my professional life, which I am ready and eager to fulfill."

Merritt hopes to carry on the legacy of success Tarrant County has experienced in past decades and continue to serve his community to his full ability.

"My goals are simple, fulfill the mission and vision of the commissioners court," Merritt said. "Be their administrator and implement their policies. As far as my mindset goes, I am a firm believer in the idea of servant leadership. I see my job as making everyone else's job more efficient and effective. I absolutely love the county I grew up in, so much that I not only want to be a major piece of its leadership team but more importantly my wife Nikki and



COURTESY CHANDLER MERRITT

41-year-old Chandler Merritt has recently taken over the role of Tarrant County Administrator. Both Merritt's mother and aunt have worked for Tarrant County, his father is a former Azle city council member, and his sister currently works as a nurse at Tarrant County's John Peter Smith Hospital. "I'm happy to say how much my family has been and is involved in Tarrant County," Merritt said. "Go Hornets!"

I have decided this is where we want to raise our family so our kids can grow up having

the same experiences I did, ultimately adding to the great citizenry of Tarrant County."

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PreK - 4th

BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers, Toast

Mon Mini Pancakes, Fresh Apples **Tues** Breakfast on a stick, Orange Craisins **Weds** Egg & Cheese Biscuit, Fresh Apples **Thurs** Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Bowl, w/ Graham Cracker, Strawberry Craisins **Fri** Breakfast Pizza, Bananas

LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice

Mon Popcorn chicken w/ roll Meat sauce Spaghetti w/ garlic breadstick **Tues** Chicken Quesadilla Hamburger/Cheeseburger Mixed Veggies **Weds** Chicken Nuggets w/ Roll Fish sticks w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green beans Pineapples, Fresh Oranges **Thurs** Tater tot Casserole w/ biscuit Cheese nachos Steamed Carrots Applesauce & Fresh Bananas **Fri** Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza Sun butter & Jelly Sandwich Crinkle Fries Pinto Beans Mixed Fruit, Fresh Apples

GRADES 5TH - 8TH

BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Yogurt w/Granola

Mon Dutch Waffle, Pears **Tues** Egg & Cheese Taco, Pineapple **Weds** Pancakes & Sausage Patty, Fresh Oranges **Thurs** Biscuit & Gravy, Applesauce **Fri** Breakfast Pizza, Fresh Apples

LUNCH: Everyday: Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice, rolls, crackers • Salad bar offered daily

Mon Popcorn chicken w/ roll Meat sauce Spaghetti w/ garlic breadstick Steamed Broccoli Peaches, Fresh Oranges **Tues** Chicken Quesadilla Hamburger/Cheeseburger Salsa Pears & Fresh Apples **Weds** Chicken Nuggets w/ Roll Fish sticks w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Pineapples, Fresh Oranges **Thurs** Tater tot Casserole w/ biscuit Cheese nachos Applesauce & Fresh Bananas **Fri** Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza Sun butter & Jelly Sandwich Crinkle Fries Pinto Beans Mixed Fruit, Fresh Apples

HIGH SCHOOL

BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Yogurt w/Granola

Mon Dutch Waffles Pears **Tues** Egg & Cheese Taco Pineapples **Weds** Pancakes Sausage Patty Fresh Oranges **Thurs** Biscuit & Gravy Applesauce **Fri** Breakfast Pizza Fresh Apples

LUNCH: • Everyday: 1% unflavored or non fat chocolate milk & juice • Salad Bar

Mon Chicken Nuggets w/ roll Cheeseburger Breaded Chicken Sandwich Cheese/Pepperoni/Meat lovers Pizza Chicken Quesadilla Orange Chicken & Rice Crinkle Cut Fries **Tues** Tater tot casserole w/ biscuit Hamburger Spicy Chicken Sandwich Cheese/Pepperoni/Hamburger Pizza Beef OR Cheese Nachos Sweet & Sour Chicken w/ noodles Sun butter & Jelly w/ Cheese sticks Popcorn Chicken Wrap **Weds** Chicken & Waffles Cheeseburger Breaded Chicken Sandwich Cheese/Pepperoni/Veggie Pizza Chicken & Cheese Crispiets w/ cheese sauce Chicken Fried Rice w/ Chicken Egg roll Boneless Wings Hash brown Patty **Thurs** Max sticks w/ marinara Hamburger Spicy Chicken Sandwich Cheese/Pepperoni/Sausage Pizza Beef OR Cheese Nachos TSO Chicken w/ noodle Ham Wrap Turkey & Cheese Sandwich **Fri** Mac n Cheese w/ roll Cheeseburger Breaded Chicken Sandwich Cheese/Pepperoni/Supreme Pizza Cheese Enchiladas Chicken Teriyaki w/ rice Sweet Potato Mash **SPONSORED BY**

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K - 4th Lunch **Lunch: Everyday - Choice of one meat, two vegetables, and one grain/bread with milk. Variety of milk is offered every day for breakfast and lunch.**

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Mon Popcorn Chicken or Steakfingers, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Fresh Veggies (Garden Salad, Carrots, Celery), Blueberries or Orange **Tues** Chicken Alfredo or Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Veggies (Garden Salad, Celery, Carrots), Apples, Sliced Peaches. **Weds** Cheeseburger or Hamburger Tator Tots, Fresh Veggies (Garden Salad, Carrots, Celery), Apple Slices, Pineapples. **Thurs** Beef Tamales or Chili Tots, Roll, Chili Beans. Fresh Veggies (Garden salad, Celery, Carrots), Strawberry Applesauce, Bananas **Fri** Pepperoni Pizza or Baked Potato Basket, Green Beans. Fresh Veggies (Garden Salad, Celery, Carrots), Grapes, Sliced Peaches

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Superliminal

It's all a matter of perspective



GAME ON

By Jennifer Harrison

My opinions on computer gaming and some of my favorite games. I've been playing games on the home computer since the days of the Trash 80. I love indie, open-world, unique, puzzle, and resource games. The cake is a lie.

In the game Superliminal, by Pillow Castle Games, you're helping Dr. Glenn Pierce test the SomnaSculpt technology by going through a dream therapy program.

You wake up in a generic hotel room with a classic digital clock. At first things are pretty normal. You'll find you can pick up objects across the room that appear small in perspective, but when you pick up an object and bring it closer to you, it grows to a ridiculous size. Or you can pick up an item close to you and cause it to shrink by placing it further away.

The premise of the game is that you're in a dream therapy session, and this is part of the therapy — a series of puzzles that can be completed by using optical illusions and forced perspective. Dr. Pierce communicates with you via radios in various locations, communicating your progress and creating a narrative for the story.

Some of the puzzles can be

solved by picking up objects and making them larger, so that you can get on top of them. Some puzzles must be solved by finding the right perspective in a two-dimensional image. Once the image is complete, the object can be picked up to solve the next puzzle.

Things start to get weird when the player fails to wake up, and ends up in the dreamworld, back inside the generic hotel room with the digital clock again. Dr. Pierce tells you through the radio that they have lost track of where you are in the simulation.

Eventually the AI that is running the dream therapy session tells you that you must initiate an "Explosive Mental Overload" to trigger the "Emergency Exit Protocol" and escape the dreamworld. However, the attempt fails and the player is trapped in the dreamworld. Eventually you'll complete the puzzles and escape, returning to the room you started in and wak-



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A long hotel hallway with some objects that are oddly large. One of the solutions in this area involves taking an exit sign, enlarging it, and making it a ramp to climb over a wall.

ing up.

All in all, it's definitely a surreal experience, and will make you feel as if there's something really creepy about these liminal spaces you're in. A liminal space is an area you usually see with people, which for some reason is empty. It's very much like being in an area of a hotel convention center where you took the wrong turn while looking for the bathroom. No matter how many hallways you walk down, you can never find the door that leads to the outside. Fortunately,

there's no Backrooms monster to scare you in this game; it's just a series of visual puzzles.

Superliminal was developed by Albert Shih and his team with Pillow Castle Games, many of whom were recruited from the Entertainment Technology Center at Carnegie Mellon University. When those students graduated, he had to hire more people to finish the job. It was released on Steam on Nov. 5, 2020. Five additional "Group Therapy" maps and a cooperative mode were

available as a free update in December 2021.

Shih's goal was to make a first-person game that was just "moving cubes around." He was inspired by the tourist photos of people pretending to hold up the Tower of Pisa. Shih wanted an open world concept with several solutions to the puzzles, so players could think creatively about solving problems. "Superliminal is a first-person puzzle game based on forced perspective and optical illusions. Puzzles in this game give you a sense of the

unexpected. Players need to change their perspective and think outside the box to wake up from the dream."

Superliminal has been generally enjoyed by players with its unique gameplay, the only complaint being that the game is too short. It was a finalist for "Most Innovative Gameplay" on Steam in 2020. Available on SteamOS for Mac and PC for \$19.99.

Quotes from Albert Shih are from the Game Developers Conference Twitch channel, 2020.



NOTICE
Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option
FM 730
From State Highway 114 (SH 114) to SH 199
CSJs: 0312-05-033, 0312-04-036
Wise and Tarrant Counties, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation is proposing to reconstruct and widen FM 730 from SH 114 to SH 199 in Wise and Tarrant counties, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. The virtual public meeting will open on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023 at 8 a.m. and close Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. To access the virtual public meeting, go to www.txdot.gov and search keyword "FM 730." The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation with both audio and visual components. Project maps and materials will also be available online. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. If you do not have internet access, you may call Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at (817) 370-6772 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an open-house format, in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person. In-person attendees will be able to view the pre-recorded video, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Ash Creek Baptist Church – Meeting Place, 301 South Stewart Street, Azle, Texas 76020.**

The proposed project would widen FM 730 to a four-lane divided roadway from SH 114 to Reno Road and to a six-lane divided roadway from Reno Road to SH 199. The proposed project would also analyze current and proposed intersections, drainage, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, two-way left turn lanes, and overall safety enhancements.

The proposed project could require additional right of way and potential displacements, pending further detailed design considerations. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling (817) 370-6950.

The proposed project would involve an action in the floodplain and construction in wetlands.

Any environmental documentation or studies, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Project materials are also available online at the address listed above. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The public meeting will be conducted in English and some materials will also be provided in Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the public meeting, please contact Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at (817) 370-6772 no later than 4 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2023. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "FM 730" once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the meeting, please contact Thomas Marquardt, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager, at (817) 370-6772, or Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



AVISO
Reunión Pública Virtual con Opción Presencial
FM 730
Desde la Carretera Estatal 114 (SH 114) hasta
la SH 199
CSJs: 0312-05-033, 0312-04-036
Condados de Wise y Tarrant, Texas

El Departamento de Transporte de Texas está proponiendo reconstruir y ampliar la FM 730 desde la SH 114 hasta la SH 199 en Condados de Wise y Tarrant, Texas. Este aviso informa al público que TxDOT llevará a cabo una reunión pública virtual en línea con opción presencial sobre el proyecto propuesto. La reunión pública virtual se abrirá el martes 24 de octubre de 2023 a las 8 a.m. y cerrará el miércoles 8 de noviembre de 2023 a las 11:59 p.m. Para acceder a la reunión pública virtual, vaya a la siguiente dirección de internet en la fecha y hora indicadas anteriormente: www.txdot.gov utilizando en la búsqueda de palabras clave "FM 730." La reunión virtual consistirá en una presentación de video pregrabada e incluirá componentes de audio y visuales. Los mapas y materiales del proyecto también estarán disponibles en línea. Tenga en cuenta que la presentación no estará disponible en el sitio de internet hasta la hora y fecha indicadas anteriormente. Si no tiene acceso a internet, puede llamar a Thomas Marquardt, P.E., hasta (817) 370-6772 entre las horas de 8 a.m. y 5 p.m., de lunes a viernes, para hacer preguntas y acceder a los materiales del proyecto durante el desarrollo del proyecto. Los comentarios formales se podrán proporcionar por correo postal o correo electrónico como se explica a continuación.

Además, TxDOT está proporcionando una opción presencial para las personas que deseen participar en persona en lugar de en línea. Los asistentes en persona podrán ver la misma presentación presentada en la reunión pública en línea que se reproducirá en una pantalla, revisar copias impresas de los materiales del proyecto, hacer preguntas al personal y/o consultores de TxDOT y dejar comentarios por escrito. **La opción presencial se llevará a cabo el martes, 24 de octubre, 2023 de 5:30 p.m. a 7:30 p.m. en la Ash Creek Baptist Church – Meeting Place, 301 South Stewart Street, Azle, Texas 76020.**

El proyecto propuesto ampliaría la FM 730 a una carretera dividida de cuatro carriles desde la SH 114 hasta Reno Road y a una carretera dividida de seis carriles desde Reno Road hasta la SH 199. El proyecto propuesto también analizaría las intersecciones actuales y propuestas, el drenaje, las adaptaciones para bicicletas y peatones, los carriles de giro a la izquierda de doble sentido y las mejoras generales de seguridad.

El proyecto propuesto podría requerir un derecho de paso adicional y posibles desplazamientos, en espera de consideraciones de diseño más detalladas. La asistencia para la reubicación está disponible para las personas desplazadas y las empresas. La información sobre el Programa de Asistencia de Reubicación de TxDOT y los servicios y beneficios para los desplazados y otros propietarios afectados, así como información sobre el cronograma tentativo para la adquisición y construcción del derecho de paso, se puede obtener de la oficina del distrito de TxDOT llamando al (817) 370-6950.

El proyecto propuesto podría implicar la construcción en humedales y en una llanura de inundación.

Cualquier documentación o estudio ambiental, cualquier mapa o dibujo que muestre la ubicación y el diseño del proyecto, los calendarios tentativos de construcción y otra información sobre el proyecto propuesto están archivados y disponibles para inspección de lunes a viernes entre las 8 a.m. y las 5 p.m. en la Oficina del Distrito de TxDOT Fort Worth, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Los materiales del proyecto también están disponibles en línea en la dirección indicada anteriormente. Estos materiales también estarán disponibles en forma impresa para su revisión en la opción presencial.

La reunión pública virtual se llevará a cabo en inglés y algunos materiales también se proporcionarán en español. Si necesita un intérprete o traductor de documentos porque el inglés no es su idioma principal o tiene dificultades para comunicarse de manera efectiva en inglés, se le proporcionará uno. Si tiene una discapacidad y necesita asistencia, se pueden hacer arreglos especiales para satisfacer la mayoría de las necesidades. Si necesita servicios de interpretación o traducción o si es una persona con una discapacidad que requiere una adaptación para asistir y participar en la reunión pública virtual, comuníquese con Thomas Marquardt, P.E. at (817) 370-6772 a más tardar a las 4 p.m., del miércoles 18 de octubre del 2023. Tenga en cuenta que se requiere un aviso previo ya que algunos servicios y adaptaciones pueden requerir tiempo para que el Departamento de Transporte de Texas lo organice.

Se solicitan comentarios por escrito del público con respecto al proyecto propuesto y estos podrán ser enviados por correo postal a la TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Los comentarios por escrito también podrán ser enviados por correo electrónico a Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov. Todos los comentarios deberán ser recibidos el miércoles 8 de noviembre del 2023 o antes. Las respuestas a los comentarios recibidos estarán disponibles en línea en www.txdot.gov, utilizando la búsqueda de palabras clave "FM 730", una vez que se hayan preparado.

Si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud general con respecto al proyecto propuesto o la reunión, comuníquese con Thomas Marquardt, P.E., Gerente de Proyecto de TxDOT, al (817) 370-6772 o Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov.

La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto están siendo, o han sido realizadas por TxDOT de conformidad con la reglamentación 23 U.S.C. 327 y un Memorando de Entendimiento con fecha de 9 de diciembre del 2019, y ejecutado por FHWA y TxDOT.



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Setting sail, Cub Scouts style

Springtown Pack 303 hosts annual Raingutter Regatta

MADelyn EDWARDS

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SPRINGTOWN — Webelos-ranked Cub Scout Abi Carter left Pack 303's annual Raingutter Regatta victoriously.

Abi noted that this marks a change from last year. In the Raingutter Regatta, Cub Scouts build hand-held boats and race them against other members of their pack by blowing through a straw to propel the boats forward down rain gutters filled with water. During last year's Raingutter Regatta, Abi shed a few tears over her boat's performance, though she later went on to win the award for the most artistic boat.

This year, Abi couldn't stop smiling. She placed third in the Webelos Den and won the Best Workmanship award for her boat.

"It actually finished!" Abi said about her boat after the race on Sept. 26.

Cubmaster Holly Lowe also felt satisfied after this year's regatta.

"We've got so many new families, and I think even the new ones, they had a great time," Lowe said. "Just seeing scouts that have never done this before, their creativity come out, it is just awesome to see how their minds work and the things that they can come up with. It was a great success. I was so eager to see everybody cheering on each other and just so happy for each other and themselves, and (I'm) proud of what they've accomplished tonight."

Pack 303 Cub Scouts who won awards in the 2023 Raingutter Regatta are:

LION DEN:

- First - Hudson Wescott
- Second - Max Portillo

TIGER DEN:

- First - Edward Mayo
- Second - Trapper Elrod
- Third - Flynn Nanni

WOLF DEN NO. 1:

- First - Kallen Crittenden
- Second - Preston Jones
- Third - Daniel Sawyer

WOLF DEN NO. 2:

- First - Knox Thatcher
- Second - SJ Ward
- Third - Chloe Salazar

WEBELOS DEN:

- First - Liam Gottlieb
- Second - Andrew Holt
- Third - Abi Carter

ARROW OF LIGHT DEN:

- First - Gabe Salazar
- Second - Koehn Thatcher
- Third - Braeden McGahey

SIBLINGS DEN:

- First - Kayleigh Ward
- Second - Daxton Wescott
- Third - Penelope Joyner

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

- Most Unusual Sail - Liam Gottlieb
- Most Seaworthy - True Weimer
- Most Nautical - Teagan Crittenden
- Most Colorful - Adalynn Mayo
- Most Artistic - Frank Zamora
- Funniest Boat - Jameson Law
- Best Workmanship - Abi Carter
- Admiral's Favorite - Izzy Nanni
- Least Likely to Capsize - Daphnie Becker
- Fastest Looking Boat - Edward Mayo
- Most Ready to Sail the Seven Seas - Trapper Elrod



Cub Scouts in Pack 303 hold up their Raingutter Regatta boats to be judged for awards.

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Webelos-ranked Cub Scout Abi Carter smiles proudly as her homemade boat fares much better at this year's Raingutter Regatta than last year. She placed third in the Webelos den and won the Best Workmanship award.



SJ Ward, a Wolf in Cub Scouts, uses a straw to blow his Raingutter Regatta boat to the end of the track. He won an award for having one of the faster boats in his group.



Tiger-ranked Cub Scout Trapper Elrod eyes victory as he propels his boat down the track at the annual Raingutter Regatta on Sept. 26. He won second place in his den and the Most Ready to Sail the Seven Seas award.



Pack 303 Cubmaster Holly Lowe presents scout Izzy Nanni with the Admiral's Favorite award for her boat at the Raingutter Regatta on Sept. 26.



Cub Scouts Pack 303 Lion Den Leader Amanda Wescott gives the award for Fastest Looking boat to scout Edward Mayo at the Raingutter Regatta on Sept. 26.

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National Night Out a hit in Springtown

BY RICK MAUCH

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

SPRINGTOWN — Each year, millions of Americans participate in National Night Out. Folks in Springtown can be counted among them.

The annual event was held in Springtown at the Newby Pavilion on the evening of Oct. 3. As is the case each year throughout America, it drew a large crowd consisting of adults and children who were all prepared to do everything from playing in bubbles to having dinner with their local first responders.

National Night Out (NNO) is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer, more caring

places to live.

Millions of neighbors take part in NNO across thousands of communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide. In Texas and select areas the celebration is held on the first Tuesday in October, while other places celebrate on the first Tuesday in August.

"This event means so much to the police department because we love being a part of the community, and the partnership that comes along with it," Springtown PD Sgt. Katy Wacasey said. "National Night Out helps bring the community and its local first responders together."

The SPD had police vehicles and other equipment on display. Parker County Emergency Services District

No. 1, Station 48 and the Parker County Hospital District Emergency Services vehicles and equipment were on hand as well.

There was also a bounce house from Flashover Bouncers, music and bubbles from Next Level Bubbles.

"Both adults and children loved the bubbles and the children loved the bounce house slide," Wacasey said.

"This event is extremely good for building a relationship with the youth," she continued. "It's due to the fact that they get to see us having fun and interacting with the public in a different light other than our official duties."

"I would like to thank the community and local businesses who helped make this event happen."



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Kids were excited to interact with Springtown police officers at NNO.



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The bounce house was provided by Flashover Bouncers, and the music and bubbles from Next Level Bubbles.



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Springtown PD Sgt. Katy Wacasey grills burgers with her fellow officers.

Azle's National Night Out



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Air Evac Lifeteam 68 out of Decatur stopped by Azle Central Park to let kids take pictures in their helicopter.



Mayor Pro Tem Randa Goode and her granddaughter were among the many families supporting Azle's first responders at National Night Out.



Lane Scudder, son of Azle Police Lieutenant Dora Scudder, sits in the Air Evac helicopter.



Caydence Scudder, daughter of Azle Police Lieutenant Dora Scudder, sits in the Air Evac helicopter.



Azle's Civil Air Patrol promoted the National Wreaths Across America campaign to place wreaths on the graves of deceased veterans on Dec. 16. To donate go to www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/TX0060P.



National Night Out in Reno

Kids from in and around Reno visited with Briar-Reno firefighters during the Oct. 3 National Night Out event.

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National Night Out in Lakeside



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Community members came out to support their Lakeside police officers.



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Supporting the red and blue.



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Residents enjoyed sno-cones and other treats with officers.

TGR Junior

National Chess Day October 14, 2023

Every year on the second Saturday of October, chess enthusiasts from all around the United States come together to celebrate National Chess Day. It's a special day dedicated to the ancient and fascinating game of chess.

Chess is often called the "Game of Kings" because it has a long and royal history. It's a game of strategy and intellect where two players face off on an 8x8 grid, each with an

army of 16 pieces, including kings, queens, knights, and pawns. The goal is to checkmate your opponent's king, which means putting their king in a position where it cannot move without being captured.

National Chess Day is a great time to learn how to play chess if you haven't already. Chess teaches important skills like critical thinking, planning ahead, and patience. It's also a fun way to make new friends and challenge your brain.

Many chess clubs and schools organize special events on this day, like chess tournaments and chess lessons for beginners. You can also play chess online or with friends and family at home.



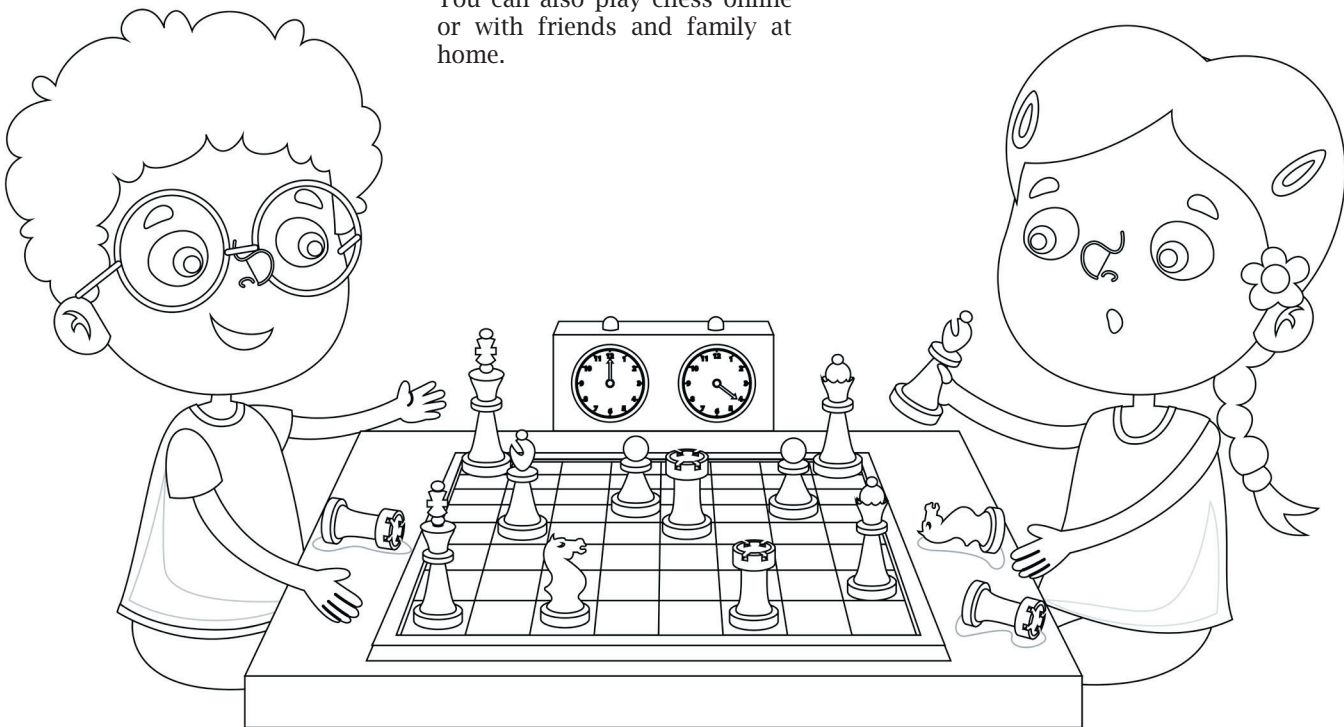
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Word Bank

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| 1. move | 2. rook | 3. board | 4. pawn |
| 5. king | 6. knight | 7. check | 8. clock |
| 9. queen | 10. bishop | | |



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ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION AND NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
PARKER, TARRANT AND WISE COUNTIES
AZLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Azle Independent School District (the “*District*”) hereby orders a special bond election (the “*Election*”) to be held on November 7, 2023 and submits to qualified voters the propositions described herein; and

WHEREAS, the bond referendum is subject to the provisions of Section 45.003, Texas Education Code, and the District is contracting with Tarrant County, Texas (“*Tarrant County*”); Parker County, Texas (“*Parker County*”) and Wise County, Texas (“*Wise County*”, and together with Tarrant County and Parker County, the “*Counties*”) for the administration of the Election pursuant to an interlocal agreement with the Counties (the “*Election Contract*”); and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County, acting through the Tarrant County Elections Administrator (the “*Tarrant County Elections Administrator*”) in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Tarrant County; Parker County, acting through the Parker County Elections Administrator (the “*Parker County Elections Administrator*”) in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Parker County; and Wise County, acting through the Wise County Elections Administrator (the “*Wise County Elections Administrator*” and together with the Tarrant County Elections Administrator and Parker County Elections Administrator, the “*Elections Administrators*”) in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Wise County; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE AZLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Findings. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. Election Ordered; Polling Places. The Election shall be held in the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2023 (“*Election Day*”). The Election is to be conducted by the Counties, as provided by Chapter 271, Texas Election Code (the “*Code*”) and the Election Contract. Voting for Election Day and Early Voting shall occur on the dates and during the hours and at the designated polling places as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof for all intents and purposes. Exhibit A shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places required to conform to the Code and the Election Contract.

Section 3. Early Voting. Early voting shall be administered by the Counties. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 23, 2023, and conclude on November 3, 2023 and will be conducted at the Early Voting locations on the dates and at the times specified in Exhibit A attached hereto. The early voting polling places shall remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the District at such voting place. Exhibit A shall be modified to include additional or different early voting polling places required to conform to the Election Contract and the Code.

Section 4. Election Officials. The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the Elections Administrators in accordance with the Election Contract and the Code. The Elections Administrators may employ other personnel necessary for the proper administration of the Election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the Election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during early voting and on Election Day, and for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station. The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Superintendent, President, Vice President or the Secretary of the Board of Trustees to execute or attest on behalf of the District the Election Contract with the Counties.

Section 5. Voting by Mail. Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the District shall submitted by personal delivery or shall be mailed to the address below prior to the deadline prescribed by law:

(a) *Applications for voting by mail for all Tarrant County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:*

Postal Mail: Tarrant County Elections Center
PO Box 961011
Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011
Commercial Carrier or Personal Delivery: Tarrant County Elections Center
2700 Premier Street
Fort Worth, TX 76111
Telephone: (817) 831-8683
Fax: (817) 850-2344
Email: votebymail@tarrantcounty.com

(b) *Applications for voting by mail for all Parker County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:*

*Postal Mail: Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086
Commercial Carrier/
Personal Delivery: Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086
Telephone (817) 598-6185
Fax (817) 598-6183
Email elections@parkercountytx.com*

(c) *Applications for voting by mail for all Wise County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:*

Postal Mail: Wise County Elections Administrator
PO Box 1597
Decatur, Texas 76234
Commercial Carrier or Personal Delivery: Wise County Elections Administrator
200 S. Trinity
Decatur, Texas 76234
Telephone: (940) 626-4453
Fax: (940) 626-4283
Email: elections@co.wise.tx.us

Section 6. Early Voting Ballots. An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Elections Administrators. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

Section 7. Qualified Voters. All qualified electors of and residing in the District, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

Section 8. Propositions. At the Election the following PROPOSITIONS shall be submitted in accordance with law:

AZLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION AZLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Azle Independent School District be authorized to issue bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$151,500,000 for the purpose of constructing, renovating, improving and equipping school facilities consisting of: renovations at each existing elementary campus to create Pre-K through 5th grade campuses, replacement campus for Azle Junior High for 6th through 8th grades to be located at the current Azle Junior High site, expansion of Forte Junior High for 6th through 8th grades, and a maintenance warehouse/AISD police department facility upgrade to be constructed on land already owned by the District, with any surplus proceeds remaining after completion of such projects to be used for the construction, acquisition, renovation and equipping of other school facilities in the District, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

Section 9. Ballots. The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code to permit the electors to vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the aforesaid PROPOSITIONS with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITIONS to be expressed substantially as follows:

Azle Independent School District Special Election	
Azle Independent School District Proposition A	
For _____)
Against _____)
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Section 10. Compliance with Federal Law. In all respects, the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act (“HAVA”) and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code. The voting system to be used by the Elections Administrators in administering the Election is such a system, and orders that such voting equipment or other equipment certified by the Texas Secretary of State shall be used by the District in its elections.

Section 11. Debt Obligations. The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.009(b), Texas Election Code.

- (a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.
- (b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.
- (c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is \$151,500,000 for Proposition A.
- (d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the Board of Trustees will be authorized to levy annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds.
- (e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.25%. Such estimate considers several factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.
- (f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed thirty years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds.
- (g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the District’s debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$131,490,000.00.
- (h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the District’s debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$66,931,962.50.
- (i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the District as of the date of this Order is \$0.2741 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.
- (j) The website for the District (as the authority conducting the election) is <https://www.azleisd.net/>; the website for the Tarrant County Elections Administrator is <https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/elections/Upcoming-Election-Information.html>; the website for the Parker County Elections Administrator is <https://www.parkercountytexas.com/118/Elections> and the website for the Wise County Elections Administrator is <https://www.co.wise.tx.us/315/Elections>.

Voter Information Document – Azle Independent School District Special Election
Proposition A

The following information is prepared to comply with Tex. H.B. 477 86th Leg., R.S. (2019) and is for illustration purposes only. The information is not a part of the proposition to be voted on and does not create a contract with the voters.

Ballot Information: At the Election, the following language will appear on the ballot:

Azle Independent School District Special Election	
Azle Independent School District Proposition A	
For _____)
Against _____)
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The following table sets forth the estimated principal amount of, and interest due to maturity on, the bonds to be issued if Proposition A passes, and all outstanding obligations of the District secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes.

Principal Amount of Bonds to be authorized	Estimated interest for Bonds to be authorized ⁽¹⁾	Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the Bonds to be authorized ⁽¹⁾	Principal of District’s Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 8/21/23)	Remaining interest on District’s Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 8/21/23)	Combined Principal and Interest to timely pay District’s Outstanding Debt (as of 8/21/23)
\$151,500,000	\$172,421,850	\$323,921,850	\$131,490,000	\$66,931,963	\$198,421,963

⁽¹⁾ The interest on the proposed bonds was estimated at a rate of 5.25% based on market conditions as of August 21, 2023, and therefore, the interest payable on the proposed bonds may be less than, or more than, the amounts set forth above based on market conditions at the time of sale of the proposed bonds.

Based on the information and assumptions provided in the table above, the estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the District with an appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the proposed bonds, if approved, is \$60.78 (however, if the November 7, 2023 constitutional amendment increasing the residence homestead exemption amount to \$100,000 is approved, the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the District with an appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the proposed bonds, if approved, is \$0.00). This estimate assumes annual growth of District’s taxable assessed valuation in the dollar amount of \$208,710,611 through tax year 2028 (i.e. 5 years), and holds the District’s taxable assessed valuation constant thereafter and assumes that the proposed bonds will be issued in an amortization that will produce relatively consistent levels of debt service in each year.

ORDEN QUE CONVOCA A UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS Y AVISO DE ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

EL ESTADO DE TEXAS
CONDADOS DE PARKER, TARRANT Y WISE
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE AZLE

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle (el “*Distrito*”) por la presente ordena una elección especial de bonos (la “*Elección*”) que se celebrará el 7 de noviembre de 2023, y somete a los votantes calificados las propuestas descritas en la presente; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, el referéndum de bonos está sujeto a las disposiciones de la Sección 45.003 del Código Educativo de Texas, y el Distrito tiene un contrato con el Condado de Tarrant, Texas (“*Condado de Tarrant*”); el Condado de Parker, Texas (“*Condado de Parker*”), y el Condado de Wise, Texas (“*Condado de Wise*”, y junto con el Condado de Tarrant y el Condado de Parker, los “*Condados*”) para la administración de la Elección conforme a un contrato interlocal con los Condados (el “*Contrato Electoral*”); y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, el Condado de Tarrant, actuando a través del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant (el “*Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant*”) de conformidad con el Contrato Electoral, se encargará de la administración de la Elección para los residentes del Distrito que residan en el Condado de Tarrant; el Condado de Parker, actuando a través del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker (el “*Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker*”), de conformidad con el Contrato Electoral, se encargará de la administración de la Elección para los residentes del Distrito que residan en el Condado de Parker; y el Condado de Wise, actuando a través del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise (el “*Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise*”, y junto con el Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant y el Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker, los “*Administradores de Elecciones*”), de conformidad con el Contrato Electoral, se encargará de la administración de la Elección para los residentes del Distrito que residan en el Condado de Wise, Texas; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, se falla y determina oficialmente que la asamblea en la que se adoptó esta Orden estuvo abierta al público y se proporcionó el aviso público de la hora, lugar y objeto de la asamblea, según el Capítulo 551 del Código Gubernamental de Texas.

ORDÉNESE POR PARTE DE LA JUNTA DE SÍNDICOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE AZLE:

Sección 1. Determinaciones. Las declaraciones contenidas en el preámbulo de esta Orden son verdaderas y correctas y se adoptaron como determinaciones y disposiciones operativas de la misma.

Sección 2. Elección Ordenada; Lugares de Votación. Se llevará a cabo la Elección en el Distrito en el horario de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. el día 7 de noviembre de 2023 (“*Día de la Elección*”). La Elección será celebrada por los Condados según lo dispuesto por el Capítulo 271 del Código Electoral de Texas (el “*Código*”) y el Contrato Electoral. La votación el Día de la Elección y la Votación Anticipada se llevarán a cabo en las fechas y durante los horarios y en los lugares de votación designados en el Anexo “A” adjunto al presente, y que se vuelve parte integral del mismo para todos los efectos y propósitos. Se modificará el Anexo A para incluir lugares de votación adicionales o diferentes para el Día de la Elección, requeridos con el fin de cumplir con el Código y el Contrato Electoral.

Sección 3. Votación Anticipada. La votación anticipada será administrada por los Condados. La votación anticipada en persona iniciará el 23 de octubre de 2023 y concluirá el 3 de noviembre de 2023, y se llevará a cabo en los lugares de Votación Anticipada en las fechas y horarios especificados en el Anexo A adjunto. Los lugares de votación para la votación anticipada permanecerán abiertos durante los horarios para la votación anticipada en persona para cualquier votante registrado del Distrito en dicho lugar de votación. Se modificará el Anexo A para incluir lugares de votación anticipada adicionales o diferentes, requeridos para cumplir con el Contrato Electoral y el Código.

Sección 4. Funcionarios Electorales. Los Administradores de Elecciones llevarán a cabo el nombramiento de los Jueces Electorales Titulares, los Jueces Suplentes, los Secretarios de Votación Anticipada, el Juez Titular de la junta de boletas de votación anticipada y otros funcionarios electorales para la Elección de conformidad con el Contrato Electoral y el Código. Los Administradores de Elecciones pueden emplear otro personal según sea necesario para la correcta administración de la Elección, incluida la ayuda de tiempo parcial que sea necesaria para prepararse para la Elección, con el fin de garantizar la entrega oportuna de suministros durante la votación anticipada y el Día de la Elección, y para el cómputo eficiente de las boletas en la estación central de escrutinio. La Junta de Síndicos por la presente autoriza al Superintendente, al Presidente, al Vicepresidente o al Secretario de la Junta de Síndicos a celebrar o dar fe en nombre del Distrito del Contrato Electoral con los Condados.

Sección 5. Votación por Correo. Las solicitudes para votar por correo para todos los residentes del Distrito deberán presentarse mediante entrega personal o deberán enviarse por correo a la dirección que aparece a continuación antes de la fecha límite prescrita por ley:

(a) Las solicitudes para votar por correo para todos los residentes del Condado de Tarrant del Distrito deberán enviarse de la siguiente forma:

Correo postal: Tarrant County Elections Center
 (Centro de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant)
 PO Box 961011
 Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011

Mensajería Comercial o Entrega Personal: Tarrant County Elections Center
 (Centro de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant)
 2700 Premier Street
 Fort Worth, TX 76111

Teléfono: (817) 831-8683

Fax: (817) 850-2344

Correo electrónico: votebymail@tarrantcounty.com

(b) Las solicitudes para votar por correo para todos los residentes del Condado de Parker del Distrito deberán enviarse de la siguiente forma:

Correo postal: Parker County Elections
 (Centro de Elecciones del Condado de Parker)
 Elections Administrator (Administrador de Elecciones)
 1112 Santa Fe Drive Weatherford, TX 76086

Mensajería Comercial o Entrega Personal: Parker County Election
 (Centro de Elecciones del Condado de Parker)
 Elections Administrator (Administrador de Elecciones)
 1112 Santa Fe Drive Weatherford, TX 76086

Teléfono: (817) 598-6185

Fax: (817) 598-6183

Correo electrónico: elections@parkercountytx.com

(c) Las solicitudes para votar por correo para todos los residentes del Condado de Wise del Distrito deberán enviarse de la siguiente forma:

Correo postal: Wise County Elections Administrator
 (Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise)
 PO Box 1597
 Decatur, Texas 76234

Mensajería Comercial o Entrega Personal: Wise County Elections Administrator
 (Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise)
 200 S. Trinity Decatur, Texas 76234

Teléfono: (940) 626-4453

Fax: (940) 626-4283

Correo electrónico: elections@co.wise.tx.us

Sección 6. Boletas de Votación Anticipada. Se creará una Junta de Boletas de Votación Anticipada para procesar los resultados de la votación anticipada de la Elección y los Administradores de Elecciones designarán al Juez Titular de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Anticipada. El Juez Titular de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Anticipada nombrará a dos o más miembros adicionales para formar parte de los miembros de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Anticipada y, si fuera necesario, de los miembros del Comité de Verificación de Firmas requeridos para procesar eficientemente las boletas de votación anticipada.

Sección 7. Votantes Calificados. Todos los electores calificados y residentes en el Distrito tendrán derecho a votar en la elección.

Sección 8. Propuestas. En la Elección se presentarán las siguientes PROPUESTAS de conformidad con la ley:

**ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE AZLE
 PROPUESTA A DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE AZLE:**

¿Se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o más series, por un monto total de capital de \$151,500,000 con el fin de construir, renovar, mejorar y equipar las instalaciones escolares que consisten en: renovaciones en cada campus de escuela primaria existente para crear campus de Pre-K a 5º grado, campus de reemplazo para la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle para los grados 6º a 8º que se ubicará en el sitio de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle actual, la ampliación de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Forte para los grados 6º a 8º y mejoras de las instalaciones del almacén de mantenimiento/del departamento de policía de AISD que se construirán en un terreno que ya es propiedad del Distrito, y los ingresos excedentes que queden después de la finalización de dichos proyectos se utilizarán para la construcción, adquisición, renovación y equipamiento de otras instalaciones escolares en el Distrito, con bonos con vencimiento, que generen intereses y que sean emitidos y vendidos de conformidad con la ley al momento de su emisión; y deberá autorizarse a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito a imponer y comprometer, y hacer que se calculen y recauden impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre toda propiedad gravable en el Distrito de manera suficiente, sin límite en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital y los intereses sobre los bonos?

Sección 9. Boletas. Se elaborarán las boletas oficiales para la Elección de conformidad con el Código Electoral de Texas, a fin de permitir que los electores voten “A FAVOR” o “EN CONTRA” de las PROPUESTAS anteriormente mencionadas, y las boletas contendrán las disposiciones, marcas y texto establecido por ley, y dichas PROPUESTAS serán expresadas substancialmente de la siguiente manera:

Elección Especial del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle Propuesta A del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle	
A favor _____) La emisión de \$151,500,000 en bonos por parte del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle para renovaciones en cada campus de escuela primaria existente para crear campus de Pre-K a 5º grado, campus de reemplazo para la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle para los grados 6º a 8º que se ubicará en el sitio de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle actual, la ampliación de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Forte para los grados 6º a 8º y mejoras de las instalaciones del almacén de mantenimiento/del departamento de policía de AISD que se construirán en un terreno que ya es propiedad del Distrito, y la imposición de un impuesto para el pago de lo anterior. Este es un incremento del impuesto a la propiedad.
En contra _____)

Sección 10. Cumplimiento de la Ley Federal. Se deberá llevar a cabo la Elección en todos los aspectos de conformidad con el Código. De conformidad con la Ley Federal de Ayuda a América a Votar (“HAVA”) y el Código, en cada lugar de votación habrá al menos un sistema de votación equipado para personas con discapacidad, y cada uno de esos sistemas de votación será un sistema que el Secretario de Estado de Texas haya certificado que cumple con HAVA y el Código. El sistema de votación que utilizarán los Administradores de Elecciones para administrar la Elección es dicho sistema, y se ordena que el Distrito utilice el equipo de votación u otro equipo certificado por el Secretario de Estado de Texas en sus elecciones.

Sección 11. Obligaciones de Deuda. Se proporciona la siguiente información de conformidad con las disposiciones de la Sección 3.009(b) del Código Electoral de Texas.

(a) El texto de la propuesta que aparecerá en la boleta se establece en la Sección 9 del presente.

(b) El propósito para el cual se autorizarán los bonos se establece en la Sección 8 del presente.

(c) El monto del capital de las obligaciones de deuda a autorizarse es de \$151,500,000 para la Propuesta A.

(d) Si los bonos son aprobados por los votantes, la Junta de Síndicos estará autorizada a recaudar impuestos ad valorem anuales, sobre toda la propiedad gravable en el Distrito, suficientes, sin límite en cuanto a tasa o monto, para pagar el capital y los intereses de los bonos.

(e) Con base en las condiciones del mercado de bonos en la fecha de adopción de la presente Orden, la tasa de interés máxima para cualquier serie de los bonos se estima que es del 5.25%. Dicha estimación considera diversos factores, incluidos el cronograma de emisión, el cronograma de vencimientos y las calificaciones esperadas de los bonos propuestos. Dicha tasa de interés máxima estimada es proporcionada sólo para propósitos informativos, pero no es una limitación a la tasa de interés a la cual se puedan vender los bonos o pagarés, o cualquier serie de los mismos.

(f) Si los bonos son aprobados, pueden emitirse en una o más series, para vencer de forma serial durante un periodo no mayor a treinta años a partir de la fecha de emisión de cada serie de bonos.

(g) El monto total del capital pendiente de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito a la fecha de la presente Orden es de \$131,490,000.00.

(h) El monto total de los intereses pendientes de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito a la fecha de la presente Orden es de \$66,931,962.50.

(i) La tasa impositiva ad valorem de servicio de la deuda del Distrito hasta la fecha de la presente Orden es de \$0.2741 por cada \$100 de valuación tasada gravable.

(j) El sitio web del Distrito (como autoridad que lleva a cabo la elección) es <https://www.azleisd.net/>; el sitio web del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant es <https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/elections/Upcoming-Election-Information.html>; el sitio web del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker es <https://www.parkercountytx.com/118/Elections> y el sitio web del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise es <https://www.co.wise.tx.us/315/Elections>.

**Documento Informativo para los Votantes - Elección Especial del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle
Propuesta A**

La siguiente información es elaborada para cumplir con la Leg. Tex. H.B. 477 86va., R.S. (2019) y es solo para fines ilustrativos. La información no forma parte de la propuesta a ser votada, ni crea un contrato con los votantes.

Información de la Boleta: En la Elección, aparecerá el siguiente texto en la boleta:

Elección Especial del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle	
Propuesta A del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle	
A favor _____) La emisión de \$151,500,000 en bonos por parte del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle para renovaciones en cada campus de escuela primaria existente para crear campus de Pre-K a 5° grado, campus de reemplazo para la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle para los grados 6° a 8° que se ubicará en el sitio de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Azle actual, la ampliación de la Escuela Secundaria Junior Forte para los grados 6° a 8° y mejoras de las instalaciones del almacén de mantenimiento/del departamento de policía de AISD que se construirán en un terreno que ya es propiedad del Distrito, y la imposición de un impuesto para el pago de lo anterior. Este es un incremento del impuesto a la propiedad.
En contra _____) _____

La siguiente tabla establece el monto del capital estimado y los intereses adeudados al vencimiento de los bonos que se emitirán si se aprueba la Propuesta A, y todas las obligaciones pendientes del Distrito garantizadas y pagaderas con impuestos ad valorem.

El monto del capital de los Bonos que se autorizarán	Los intereses estimados de los Bonos que se autorizarán ⁽¹⁾	Capital e intereses consolidados estimados necesarios para pagar a tiempo y en su totalidad los Bonos que se autorizarán ⁽¹⁾	Capital de la Deuda Pendiente Existente del Distrito (al 21/8/2023)	Intereses restantes en la Deuda Pendiente Existente del Distrito (al 21/8/2023)	Capital e Intereses Consolidados para pagar oportunamente la Deuda Pendiente del Distrito (al 21/8/2023)
\$151,500,000	\$172,421,850	\$323,921,850	\$131,490,000	\$66,931,963	\$198,421,963

⁽¹⁾ Los intereses sobre los bonos propuestos se estimaron a una tasa del 5.25% con base en las condiciones del mercado al 21 de agosto de 2023 y, por lo tanto, los intereses pagaderos sobre dichos bonos propuestos pueden ser menores o mayores que los montos establecidos anteriormente con base en las condiciones del mercado al momento de la venta de los bonos propuestos.

Con base en la información y los supuestos proporcionados en la tabla anterior, el incremento anual máximo estimado a la cantidad de impuestos que se impondrían a una residencia en el Distrito con un valor tasado de \$100,000 para saldar los bonos propuestos, si se aprueban, es de \$60.78 (sin embargo, si se aprueba la enmienda constitucional del 7 de noviembre de 2023 que aumenta el monto de la exención de impuestos de residencias a \$100,000, el monto de impuestos que se impondrían a una residencia en el Distrito con un valor tasado de \$100,000 para pagar los bonos propuestos, si se aprueban, es de \$0.00). Esta estimación asume un crecimiento anual de la valuación tasada gravable del Distrito por un monto en dólares de \$208,710,611 hasta el año fiscal 2028 (es decir 5 años), y mantiene constante la valuación tasada gravable del Distrito a partir de entonces, y asume que se emitirán los bonos propuestos con una amortización que producirá niveles relativamente consistentes de servicio

CHỈ THỊ TRIỆU TẬP CUỘC BẦU CỬ TRÁI PHIẾU VÀ THÔNG BÁO CUỘC BẦU CỬ TRÁI PHIẾU

TIÊU BANG TEXAS
CÁC QUẬN PARKER, TARRANT VÀ WISE
HỌC KHU ĐỘC LẬP AZLE

XÉT RẰNG, Hội đồng Quản trị của Khu Học Chánh Độc lập Azle (“*Khu Học Chánh*”) qua đây chỉ thị một cuộc bầu cử công khố phiếu đặc biệt (“*Cuộc bầu cử*”) được tổ chức vào ngày 7 tháng 11 năm 2023 và đệ trình cho cử tri đủ điều kiện các dự luật được mô tả trong tài liệu này; và

XÉT RẰNG, cuộc trưng cầu dân ý về trái phiếu tuân theo các quy định của Mục 45.003, Bộ luật Giáo dục Texas và Học Khu đang ký hợp đồng với Quận Tarrant, Texas (“*Quận Tarrant*”); Quận Parker, Texas (“*Quận Parker*”) và Quận Wise, Texas (“*Quận Wise*”), và cùng với Quận Tarrant và Quận Parker, “*các Quận*”) để điều hành Cuộc bầu cử theo thỏa thuận liên địa phương với các Quận (“*Hợp đồng Bầu cử*”); và

XÉT RẰNG, Quận Tarrant, hành động thông qua Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Tarrant (“*Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Tarrant*”) theo Hợp đồng Bầu cử sẽ điều hành Cuộc bầu cử cho cư dân của Khu Học Chánh cư trú tại Quận Tarrant; Quận Parker, hành động thông qua Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Parker (“*Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Parker*”) theo Hợp đồng Bầu cử sẽ điều hành Cuộc bầu cử cho cư dân của Khu Học Chánh cư trú tại Quận Parker; và Quận Wise, hành động thông qua Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Wise (“*Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Wise*”) và cùng với Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Tarrant và Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Parker, “*các Quản trị viên Bầu cử*”) theo Hợp đồng Bầu cử sẽ điều hành Cuộc bầu cử cho cư dân của Khu Học Chánh cư trú tại Quận Wise; và

XÉT RẰNG, qua đây chính thức tuyên bố và xác định rằng cuộc họp mà tại đó Chỉ thị này được thông qua được mở cho công chúng, và thông báo công khai về thời gian, địa điểm và mục đích của cuộc họp đã được đưa ra, tất cả theo yêu cầu của Bộ luật Chính quyền Texas, Chương 551.

DO ĐÓ, HỘI ĐỒNG QUẢN TRỊ CỦA HỌC KHU ĐỘC LẬP AZLE RA CHỈ THỊ RẰNG:

Mục 1. Kết luận. Các tuyên bố trong phần mở đầu của Chỉ thị này là đúng sự thật và chính xác và được thông qua như những kết luận về sự kiện và các điều khoản thực thi của tài liệu này.

Mục 2. Cuộc Bầu cử Được Chỉ thị; Địa Điểm Bỏ Phiếu. Cuộc Bầu cử sẽ được tổ chức tại Học Khu từ 7 giờ sáng đến 7 giờ tối vào ngày 7 tháng 11 năm 2023 (“*Ngày Bầu cử*”). Cuộc Bầu cử sẽ được tiến hành bởi các Quận, theo quy định của Chương 271, Bộ luật Bầu cử Texas (“*Bộ luật*”) và Hợp đồng Bầu cử. Việc bỏ phiếu vào Ngày Bầu cử và Bỏ phiếu Sớm sẽ diễn ra vào các ngày và trong giờ và tại các địa điểm bỏ phiếu được chỉ định như được nêu trong Phụ mục A đính kèm theo đây, trong đó trình bày một phần nội dung của tài liệu này cho tất cả các ý định và mục đích. Phụ mục A sẽ được sửa đổi để bao gồm các địa điểm bỏ phiếu bổ sung hoặc khác nhau trong Ngày Bầu cử, theo quy định để tuân thủ Bộ luật và Hợp đồng Bầu cử.

Mục 3. Bỏ phiếu Sớm. Việc bỏ phiếu sớm sẽ do các Quận điều hành. Việc đến trực tiếp bỏ phiếu sớm sẽ bắt đầu vào ngày 23 tháng 10 năm 2023 và kết thúc vào ngày 3 tháng 11 năm 2023 và sẽ được tiến hành tại các địa điểm Bỏ phiếu Sớm vào các ngày và giờ được nêu trong Phụ mục A đính kèm theo đây. Các địa điểm bỏ phiếu sớm sẽ vẫn mở cửa trong những giờ đó để bỏ phiếu sớm trực tiếp cho bất kỳ cử tri đã đăng ký nào của Học Khu tại địa điểm bỏ phiếu đó. Phụ mục A sẽ được sửa đổi để bao gồm các địa điểm bỏ phiếu sớm bổ sung hoặc khác nhau, theo quy định để tuân thủ Hợp đồng Bầu cử và Bộ luật.

Mục 4. Viên chức Bầu cử. Việc bổ nhiệm Thẩm phán Bầu cử Chủ tọa, Thẩm phán Thay thế, Thư ký Phụ trách Bộ phiếu Sớm, Thẩm phán Chủ tọa của hội đồng bỏ phiếu sớm và các viên chức bầu cử khác cho Cuộc bầu cử sẽ được thực hiện bởi các Quản trị viên Bầu cử theo Hợp đồng Bầu cử và Bộ luật. Các Quản trị viên Bầu cử có thể sử dụng các nhân viên khác cần thiết cho việc quản lý thích hợp Cuộc bầu cử, bao gồm sự trợ giúp bán thời gian cần thiết để chuẩn bị cho Cuộc bầu cử, để đảm bảo cung cấp vật tư kịp thời trong thời gian bỏ phiếu sớm và vào Ngày Bầu cử, và để phân loại hiệu quả các lá phiếu tại trạm kiểm phiếu trung tâm. Qua đây Hội đồng Quản trị ủy quyền cho Tổng Giám đốc, Chủ tịch, Phó Chủ tịch hoặc Thư ký Hội đồng Quản trị thực hiện hoặc chứng thực Hợp đồng Bầu cử với các Quận, thay mặt cho Học Khu.

Mục 5. Bộ phiếu qua Thư. Đơn xin bỏ phiếu qua thư cho tất cả cư dân của Học Khu sẽ được nộp trực tiếp hoặc sẽ được gửi đến địa chỉ dưới đây trước thời hạn theo quy định của pháp luật:

(a) Đơn xin bỏ phiếu qua thư cho tất cả cư dân Quận Tarrant của Học Khu sẽ được gửi như sau:

Bưu Điện: Tarrant County Elections Center (Trung tâm Bầu cử Quận Tarrant)
 PO Box 961011
 Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011
 Vận chuyển Thương mại hay Giao Trực tiếp Tarrant County Elections Center (Trung tâm Bầu cử Quận Tarrant)
 2700 Premier Street
 Fort Worth, TX 76111
 Điện thoại (817) 831-8683
 Fax (817) 850-2344
 Email votebymail@tarrantcounty.com

(b) Đơn xin bỏ phiếu qua thư cho tất cả cư dân Quận Parker của Học Khu sẽ được gửi như sau:

Bưu Điện: Parker County Elections (Ban Bầu cử Quận Parker)
 Elections Administrator
 1112 Santa Fe Drive
 Weatherford, TX 76086
 Vận chuyển Thương mại/ Giao nhận Trực tiếp Parker County Elections (Ban Bầu cử Quận Parker)
 Elections Administrator
 1112 Santa Fe Drive
 Weatherford, TX 76086
 Điện thoại (817) 598-6185
 Fax (817) 598-6183
 Email elections@parkercountytx.com

(c) Đơn xin bỏ phiếu qua thư cho tất cả cư dân Quận Wise của Học Khu sẽ được gửi như sau:

Bưu Điện: Wise County Elections Administrator (Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Wise)
 PO Box 1597 Decatur, Texas 76234
 Vận chuyển Thương mại hay Giao Trực tiếp Wise County Elections Administrator (Quản trị viên Bầu cử Quận Wise)
 200 S. Trinity Decatur, Texas 76234
 Điện thoại (940) 626-4453
 Fax (940) 626-4283
 Email elections@co.wise.tx.us

Mục 6. Lá phiếu Bầu Sớm. Hội đồng Bộ phiếu Sớm sẽ được thành lập để xử lý kết quả bỏ phiếu sớm của Cuộc Bầu Cử và Thẩm Phán Chủ Tọa của Hội đồng Bộ phiếu Sớm sẽ được chỉ định bởi Quản Trị Viên Bầu Cử. Thẩm phán Chủ tọa của Hội đồng Bộ phiếu Sớm sẽ chỉ định thêm hai hoặc nhiều thành viên để thành lập các thành viên của Hội đồng Bộ phiếu Sớm và, nếu cần, phải có các thành viên của Ủy ban Xác minh Chữ ký để xử lý hiệu quả các lá phiếu bỏ phiếu sớm.

Mục 7. Cử tri Đủ điều kiện. Tất cả các cử tri đủ điều kiện và cư trú trong Học khu, sẽ có quyền bỏ phiếu tại cuộc bầu cử.

Mục 8. Dự luật. Tại Cuộc bầu cử, các DỰ LUẬT sau đây sẽ được đệ trình theo luật:

**CUỘC BẦU CỬ ĐẶC BIỆT CỦA HỌC KHU ĐỘC LẬP AZLE
 DỰ LUẬT A CỦA HỌC KHU ĐỘC LẬP AZLE**

Liệu Hội đồng Quản trị của Khu Học Chánh Độc lập Azle có được cho phép phát hành công khó phiếu của Học Khu, theo một hoặc nhiều đợt, với tổng số tiền gốc là \$151,500,000 cho mục đích xây dựng, cải tạo, cải thiện và trang bị các cơ sở trường học bao gồm: cải tạo tại mỗi khuôn viên trường tiểu học hiện có để tạo ra các khuôn viên trường mầm non đến lớp 5, khuôn viên thay thế cho trường Trung học Cơ sở Azle từ lớp 6 đến lớp 8 sẽ được đặt tại địa điểm của trường Trung học Cơ sở Azle hiện tại, mở rộng trường Trung học Cơ sở Forte từ lớp 6 đến lớp 8, và nâng cấp kho bảo trì/cơ sở cảnh sát AISD để được xây dựng trên đất đã thuộc sở hữu của Học Khu, với bất kỳ khoản tiền thu còn dư lại sau khi hoàn thành các dự án đó sẽ được sử dụng cho việc xây dựng, mua lại, cải tạo và trang bị các cơ sở trường học khác trong Học Khu, với công khó phiếu sẽ đáo hạn, chịu lãi, và được phát hành và bán theo quy định của pháp luật tại thời điểm phát hành; và liệu Hội đồng Quản trị có được phép áp dụng và đưa ra, và cho thẩm định và thu thuế giá trị hàng năm đối với tất cả các bất động sản chịu thuế trong Học Khu, không giới hạn về mức giá hoặc số tiền, đủ để trả gốc và lãi cho số công khó phiếu đó?

Mục 9. Lá phiếu. Các lá phiếu chính thức cho Cuộc bầu cử sẽ được chuẩn bị theo Bộ luật Bầu cử Texas để cho phép cử tri bỏ phiếu “THUẬN” hoặc “CHỐNG” các DỰ LUẬT nói trên với các lá phiếu có thông tin về các quy định, đánh dấu và ngôn ngữ theo quy định của pháp luật và các DỰ LUẬT đó được trình bày cơ bản như sau:

Cuộc Bầu cử Đặc biệt của Học Khu Độc lập Azle Dự Luật A của Học Khu Độc Lập Azle	
Thuận _____ Chống _____) Phát hành công khó phiếu trị giá \$151,500,000 của Học Khu Độc lập Azle để cải tạo tại mỗi khuôn viên trường tiểu học hiện nay nhằm tạo ra các khuôn viên trường học từ mầm non đến lớp 5, khuôn viên thay thế cho trường Trung học Cơ sở Azle từ lớp 6 đến lớp 8 được đặt tại địa điểm trường Trung học Cơ sở Azle hiện tại, mở rộng trường Trung học Cơ sở Forte từ lớp 6 đến lớp 8, và nâng cấp kho bảo trì/cơ sở cảnh sát AISD để được xây dựng trên đất đã thuộc sở hữu của Học Khu và áp dụng một loại thuế để thanh toán cho việc đó. Đây là khoản tăng thuế bất động sản.

Mục 10. Tuân thủ Luật Liên bang. Về mọi mặt, Cuộc bầu cử sẽ được tiến hành theo Bộ luật. Căn cứ vào Đạo luật Trợ giúp Bầu cử Hoa Kỳ (Help America Vote Act, “HAVA”) liên bang và Bộ luật, tại mỗi địa điểm bỏ phiếu sẽ có ít nhất một hệ thống bỏ phiếu cho người khuyết tật và mỗi hệ thống bỏ phiếu đó sẽ là một hệ thống đã được Tổng Thư ký Tiểu bang Texas chứng nhận là tuân thủ HAVA và Bộ luật. Hệ thống bỏ phiếu sẽ được sử dụng bởi các Quản trị viên Bầu cử trong việc quản lý Cuộc bầu cử là một hệ thống thuộc loại đó, và chỉ thị rằng thiết bị bỏ phiếu hoặc thiết bị khác được Tổng Thư ký Tiểu bang Texas chứng nhận sẽ được Học Khu sử dụng trong các cuộc bầu cử của mình.

Mục 11. Nghĩa vụ Nợ. Thông tin sau đây được cung cấp theo các quy định của Mục 3.009(b), Bộ luật Bầu cử Texas.

- (a) Nội dung dự luật sẽ xuất hiện trên lá phiếu được nêu trong Mục 9 của tài liệu này.
- (b) Mục đích mà công khó phiếu cần được cho phép được nêu trong Mục 8 của tài liệu này.
- (c) Số tiền gốc của các nghĩa vụ nợ cần được cho phép là \$151,500,000 cho Dự luật A.
- (d) Nếu công khó phiếu được cử tri chấp thuận, Hội đồng Quản trị sẽ được cho phép đánh thuế giá trị hàng năm đối với tất cả bất động sản chịu thuế trong Học Khu, không giới hạn về mức giá hoặc số tiền, đủ để trả tiền gốc và tiền lãi cho trái phiếu và chi phí của bất kỳ hợp đồng tín dụng nào được thực hiện liên quan đến số công khó phiếu đó.
- (e) Dựa trên các điều kiện thị trường công khó trái phiếu vào ngày thông qua Chi thị này, lãi suất tối đa cho bất kỳ loạt công khó phiếu nào được ước tính là 5.25%. Phần ước tính đó có cân nhắc một số yếu tố, như lịch phát hành, lịch đáo hạn và mức xếp hạng công khó phiếu dự kiến của số công khó phiếu được đề xuất đó. Lãi suất tối đa theo ước tính đó được đưa ra nhằm cung cấp thông tin nhưng không phải là giới hạn về lãi suất mà số công khó phiếu hoặc tín phiếu, hoặc bất kỳ loạt phát hành của chúng, có thể được bán ở mức đó.
- (f) Nếu số công khó phiếu đó được chấp thuận, chúng có thể được phát hành theo một hoặc nhiều đợt, đáo hạn theo từng đợt, trong khoảng thời gian không quá ba mươi năm kể từ ngày phát hành từng đợt công khó phiếu.
- (g) Tổng số tiền nợ gốc chưa trả của các nghĩa vụ nợ của Học Khu kể từ ngày ra Chi thị này là \$131,490,000.00.
- (h) Tổng số tiền lãi chưa trả của các nghĩa vụ nợ của Học Khu kể từ ngày ra Chi thị này là \$66,931,962.50.

POLLING SITE (SITIO DE VOTACIÓN)	ADDRESS (DIRECCIÓN)	LOCATION (UBICACIÓN)
Silver Creek United Methodist Church	2200 Church Rd, Azle 76020	Fellowship Hall
Azle City Hall	505 W Main St, Azle 76020	Community Room
Reno City Hall	195 W Reno Rd, Azle 76020	Community Center
Springtown Senior Center	1070 N Main St, Springtown 76082	Community Room
Legacy Church	3591 E Highway 199, Springtown 76082	Lobby
Parker County North East Annex	1020 E Hwy 199, Springtown 76082	Court Room
Friendship Baptist Church	801 Friendship Rd, Weatherford 76085	Gym
Agnes Baptist Church	350 Agnes North, Springtown 76082	Foyer
Harberger Hill Community	701 Narrow St, Weatherford 76086	Large Room
Trinity Lutheran Church	1500 Ball St, Weatherford 76086	Fellowship Hall
Poolville Global Methodist Church	230 North Church, Poolville 76487	Fellowship Hall
Peaster ISD Rock Gym	8512 FM RD 920, Peaster 76088	Back Room of Gym
Whitt Fire Department	4312 N FM RD 52, Whitt 76490	Training Room
Bethesda United Methodist Church	6657 FM RD 113 N, Weatherford 76088	Johnson Room
Calvary Baptist Church	1900 N Main St, Weatherford 76085	Fellowship Hall
Shady Grove Baptist Church	2470 W Lambert Rd, Weatherford 76088	Fellowship Hall
Union Baptist Church	3451 Sarra Ln, Springtown 76082	Fellowship Hall
Victory Baptist Church	1304 Fort Worth Hwy, Weatherford 76086	Youth Building
Cherry Park Community Center	300 S Alamo St, Weatherford, TX 76086	Main Room
Grace First Presbyterian Church	606 Mockingbird Ln, Weatherford 76086	Great Hall
Santa Fe Drive Baptist Church	1502 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford 76086	Family Life Center
Weatherford College	225 College Park Dr, Weatherford 76086	1 st floor, Community Rm
Millsap Community Center	102 Fannin St, Millsap 76066	Community Room
Harmony Baptist Church	242 Harmony Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym
Tin Top Community Center	101 Old Tin Top Rd, Weatherford 76087	Community Room
Parker County PCT Barn # 3 - Brock	1111 FM RD 1189, Brock 76087	Break Room
First Baptist Church Dennis	7600 FM RD 1189, Dennis 76087	Old Fellowship Hall
Spring Creek Baptist Church	100 Spring Creek Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym
Greenwood Fire Department	1418 Greenwood Cut-Off Rd, Weatherford 76087	Training Room
Morningstar Amenity Center	128 Heather Wind Ln, Aledo 76008	Main Room
Hudson Oaks Public Safety Bldg.	150 Oak Ridge Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Council Chambers
Cross Timbers Church - Willow Park	601 Ranch House Rd, Willow Park 76087	Welcome Center
Bear Creek Community Church	18600 Hwy 377, Cresson 76035	Lobby
City of Aledo Community Center	104 Robinson Ct, Aledo 76008	Main Room
Aledo ISD Admin Building	1008 Bailey Ranch Rd, Aledo 76008	Louden Room
New Faith Baptist	3303 West FM RD 5, Annetta 76008	Fellowship Hall
Parker County PCT Barn # 4	1320 Airport Rd, Aledo 76008	Conference Room
Lakeshore Drive Baptist Church	200 S Lakeshore Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Sanctuary

Early Voting Locations, Dates and Times for Wise County
(Lugares, Fechas y Horarios de Votación Anticipada del Condado de Wise)

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS / *Ubicaciones de Votación Anticipada*
 VOTERS MAY VOTE AT ANY POLLING SITE DURING EARLY VOTING
Los Votantes Pueden Votar En Cualquier Centro Electoral Durante La Votación Temprana

Monday, October 23, 2023	8A-5P	Lunes, Octubre 23, 2023	8A-5P
Tuesday, October 24, 2023	8A-5P	Martes, Octubre 24, 2023	8A-5P
Wednesday, October 25, 2023	8A-5P	Miercoles, Octubre 25, 2023	8A-5P
Thursday, October 26, 2023	8A-5P	Jueves, Octubre 26, 2023	8A-5P
Friday, October 27, 2023	8A-5P	Viernes, Octubre 27, 2023	8A-5P
Monday, October 30, 2023	8A-5P	Lunes, Octubre 30, 2023	8A-5P
Tuesday, October 31, 2023	8A-5P	Martes, Octubre 31, 2023	8A-5P
Wednesday, November 1, 2023	8A-5P	Miercoles, Noviembre 1, 2023	8A-5P
Thursday, November 2, 2023	7A-7P	Jueves, Noviembre 2, 2023	7A-7P
Friday, November 3, 2023	7A-7P	Viernes, Noviembre 3, 2023	7A-7P

MAIN EARLY VOTING – DECATUR <i>(VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA PRINCIPAL – DECATUR)</i> 3101 S. FM 51 Decatur, TX 76234 Wise County Fairgrounds (Women’s Building) 3101 S. FM 51 Decatur, TX 76234	ALVORD Alvord City Hall 215 W. Elm Alvord, TX 76225
BOYD Boyd Community Center 420 E. Morton Ave Boyd, TX 76023	BRIDGEPORT Bridgeport Community Center 1102 Lawdwin Ave Bridgeport, TX 76426

Wise County Election Day Locations and Times
(Lugar, Fecha y Horarios el Día de la Elección del Condado de Wise)

November 7, 2023; 7:00 AM-7:00 PM *(7 de noviembre de 2023; 7AM-7PM)*
 LOCATIONS OF ELECTION DAY CONSOLIDATED POLLING PLACES
(Ubicación de las casillas consolidadas electorales del Día de Elección)

- Precincts (Precintos) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 22 will vote at (votarán)
 Decatur City Hall
 201 E. Walnut Decatur, TX 76234
- Precincts (Precintos) 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19 will vote at (votarán)
 Assumption Catholic Church
 1305 S. Deer Park Decatur, TX 76234
- Precincts (Precintos) 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 28 and 29 will vote at (votarán)
 Bridgeport Bridgeport Community Center
 1102 Lawdwin Ave Bridgeport, TX 76426
- Precincts (Precintos) 20, 23, 24, 25, 27 and 30 will vote at (votarán)
 Boyd Community Center
 420 E. Morton Ave Boyd, TX 76023

Early Voting Locations Dates and Times for Tarrant County
(Lugares, Fechas y Horarios de Votación Anticipada del Condado de Tarrant)
(Địa điểm, Ngày và Giờ Bỏ phiếu Sớm cho Quận Tarrant)

TARRANT COUNTY EARLY VOTING
(VOTACION ADELANTADA DEL CONDADO DE TARRANT)
(BẦU CỬ SỚM CỦA QUẬN TARRANT)

October (Octubre) (Tháng Mười) 23 -27	Monday – Friday (Lunes – Viernes) (Thứ Hai – Thứ Sáu)	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
October (Octubre) (Tháng Mười) 28	Saturday (Sábado) (Thứ Bảy)	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October (Octubre) (Tháng Mười) 29	Sunday (Domingo) (Chủ Nhật)	10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October (Octubre) (Tháng Mười) 30 - 31	Monday – Tuesday (Lunes - Martes) (Thứ Hai - Thứ Ba)	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
November (Noviembre) (Tháng Mười Một) 1 - 3	Wednesday - Friday (Miércoles – Viernes) (Thứ Tư– Thứ Sáu)	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

	Location (Ubicación) / (Địa điểm)	Address (Dirección) (Địa Chỉ)	City (Ciudad) (Thành phố)	Zip Code (Código postal) (Mã Bưu Điện)
1	Bob Duncan Center	2800 S Center Street	Arlington	76014
2	Elzie Odom Athletic Center	1601 NE Green Oaks Boulevard	Arlington	76006
3	City of Arlington South Service Center	1100 SW Green Oaks Boulevard	Arlington	76017
4	Ron Wright Lake Arlington Branch Library	4000 W Green Oaks Boulevard	Arlington	76016
5	Tarrant County Sub-Courthouse in Arlington	700 E Abram Street	Arlington	76010
6	Tarrant County College Southeast Campus ESCT Building - The Hub (edificio móvil) (Nhà Di Động) C	2100 Southeast Parkway	Arlington	76018
7	Azle ISD Instructional Support Center	483 Sandy Beach Road, Suite C	Azle	76020
8	Bedford Public Library	2424 Forest Ridge Drive	Bedford	76021
9	Benbrook Community Center	228 San Angelo Avenue	Benbrook	Benbrook
10	Colleyville Public Library	110 Main Street	Colleyville	76034
11	Crouch Event Center in Bicentennial Park	900 E Glendale Street	Crowley	76036
12	Eules Family Life Senior Center	300 W Midway Drive	Eules	76039
13	Everman Civic Center	213 N Race Street	Everman	76140
14	Forest Hill Civic & Convention Center	6901 Wichita Street	Forest Hill	76140
15	Charles F. Griffin Building	3212 Miller Avenue	Fort Worth	76119
16	Como Community Center	4660 Horne Street	Fort Worth	76107
17	Diamond Hill/Jarvis Branch Library	1300 NE 35 th Street	Fort Worth	76106
18	Golden Triangle Branch Library	4264 Golden Triangle Boulevard	Fort Worth	76244
19	Handley-Meadowbrook Community Center	6201 Beaty Street	Fort Worth	76112
20	James Avenue Service Center	5001 James Avenue	Fort Worth	76115
21	Northside Community Center	1100 NW 18 th Street	Fort Worth	76164
22	Southside Community Center	959 E Rosedale Street	Fort Worth	76104
23	Dionne Phillips Bagsby Southwest Subcourthouse	6551 Granbury Road	Fort Worth	76133
24	Summerglen Branch Library	4205 Basswood Boulevard	Fort Worth	76137
25	Tarrant County College Northwest Campus WFSC 1403A	4801 Marine Creek Parkway	Fort Worth	76179
26	Tarrant County Elections Center Main Early Voting Site (Principal sitio de votación adelantada) (Trung Tâm Bầu Cử Sớm)	2700 Premier Street	Fort Worth	76111
27	Tarrant County Plaza Building	201 Burnett Street	Fort Worth	76102
28	Worth Heights Community Center	3551 New York Avenue	Fort Worth	76110
29	Asia Times Square	2625 W Pioneer Parkway	Grand Prairie	75051
30	Grapevine Public Library	1201 Municipal Way	Grapevine	76051
31	Haltom City Senior Center	3201 Friendly Lane	Haltom City	76117
32	Legacy Learning Center Northwest ISD	501 School House Road	Haslet	76052
33	Brookside Center	1244 Brookside Drive	Hurst	76053
34	Northeast Courthouse	645 Grapevine Highway	Hurst	76054
35	Keller Town Hall	1100 Bear Creek Parkway	Keller	76248
36	Kennedale Community Center	316 W 3rd Street	Kennedale	76060
37	Sheriff's Office North Patrol Division	6651 Lake Worth Boulevard	Lake Worth	76135
38	Tarrant County Subcourthouse at Mansfield	1100 E Broad Street	Mansfield	76063
39	Vernon Newsom Stadium	3700 E Broad Street	Mansfield	76063
40	City Point United Methodist Church Duncan Family Life Center	7301 Glenview Drive	N Richland Hills	76180
41	Former Bursey Road Senior Adult Center	7301 Bursey Road	N Richland Hills	76182
42	Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD Annex, Building 1	1200 N Old Decatur Road	Saginaw	76179
43	Southlake Town Hall	1400 Main Street	Southlake	76092
44	White Settlement Public Library	8215 White Settlement Road	White Settlement	76108

Election Day Location Date and Times for Tarrant County
(Lugar, Fecha y Horarios el Día de la Elección del Condado de Tarrant)
(Địa Điểm, Ngày và Giờ Bỏ phiếu vào Ngày Bầu Cử cho Quận Tarrant)

NOVEMBER 7, 2023 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
(7 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2023 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.)
(NGÀY 7 THÁNG 11, NĂM 2023 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

Key Precinct	Countywide Polling Place Lugar de Votación del Condado Địa Điểm Bỏ Phiếu Toàn Quận	Voting Area Área de votación Khu Vực Bỏ Phiếu	Address Dirección Địa Chỉ	City and Zip Ciudad y Código Thành Phố và Mã Bưu Điện
4047	Pelican Bay City Hall	City Council Room	1300 Pelican Circle	Pelican Bay, TX 76020
4259	Lakeside Church of God	Family Life Center	9396 Confederate Park Road	Lakeside, TX 76135
4340	The Edge Church (Good Shepherd Lutheran Church)	Room 1, Fellowship Building	1313 Southeast Parkway	Azle, TX 76020
4395	Azle ISD Instructional Support Center	Classroom	483 Sandy Beach Road, Suite C	Azle, TX 76020

In addition to the foregoing Tarrant County voting centers that are located within the Azle Independent School District, qualified voters of the Azle Independent School District may vote on election day at any voting center designated by Tarrant County. Polling locations are subject to change. A complete list of such voting centers can be viewed at <https://www.tarrant-county.com/en/elections.html>. In addition, voters may call Tarrant County Elections Administration at the following number to locate polling locations: 817-831-8683.

(Además de los centros de votación anteriores del Condado de Tarrant que están ubicados dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle, los votantes habilitados del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Azle pueden votar el día de las elecciones en cualquier centro de votación designado por el Condado de Tarrant. Los sitios de votación están sujetos a cambio. Para ver el listado completo de dichos centros de votación, visite <https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/elections.html>. Además, los votantes pueden llamar a la Administración de Elecciones del Condado de Tarrant al siguiente número para ubicar los sitios de votación: 817-831-8683.)

(Ngoài các trung tâm bỏ phiếu nêu trên của Quận Tarrant nằm trong Khu học chánh Độc lập Azle các cử tri đủ điều kiện của của Khu học chánh Độc lập Azle có thể bỏ phiếu vào ngày bầu cử tại bất kỳ trung tâm bỏ phiếu nào do Quận Tarrant chỉ định. Các địa điểm bỏ phiếu có thể thay đổi. Một danh sách đầy đủ các trung tâm bỏ phiếu như vậy có thể được xem tại <https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/elections.html>. Ngoài ra, cử tri có thể gọi cho Ban Quản trị Bầu cử Quận Tarrant theo số sau để tìm các địa điểm bỏ phiếu: 817-831-8683.)

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DIVERSIONS



THURSDAY, October 12, 2023



Cowboy way

COURTESY PHOTO
Hevenli Scribner is in the top 10 in barrels and poles.

Azle rodeo team takes commanding lead in North Texas region

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AZLE — The Azle rodeo team has busted out of the chute to begin the season, earning enough points in week 1 on Sept. 15-16 to claim first

place in the North Texas High School Rodeo Association. Now, with three rodeos under their belts, the Azle athletes have only increased their lead over the approximately 75 other teams that compete in the association.

After three weeks of rodeos, Azle had tallied almost double the amount of points of its closest competitor. Azle was in first place with 2,184 points, followed by Burkburnett (1,204), Brock (938), Millsap (693), and Springtown (644).

Azle athletes who have earned enough points to stay in the top 10 in their events included Hevenli Scribner in barrels; Sean Bunero in calf roping; River Cassell and Nickolas McElhannon in chute dogging; Laurel Allred

and Andrea Allred in rideup goat tying; both Allred girls and Caitlyn Colley in walkup goats; Laurel Allred, Colley, and Scribner in poles; Bunero in ribbon roping; and Xavier Reyes and Kasen Scarlato in team roping.



Jacob Sparks knows how to win.

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History making

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AZLE — Azle tennis secured third place in district, which is the highest the team has placed in school history. "This is a quite historic year for these kids, and I'm

Azle tennis places higher in district than ever before

grateful to be a part of it," said Connor Mason, who is in his first year as head coach of tennis at Azle. The Hornets went 4-2 in

district competition, beating Brewer 17-2, Saginaw 17-2, Northwest 11-8, and

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School record

Cross-country athlete Wesley Payne runs faster than any previous Porcupine

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SPRINGTOWN — Remember this number: 16:32.89.

That's how fast Springtown cross-country runner Wesley Payne finished a 5K race to establish a new Springtown High School record. His race for the ages occurred on Sept. 30 at an event in Decatur.

Payne has been racing up

at cross-country events this season, pushing himself to compete against boys from bigger 5A and 6A schools to increase his competitiveness. The strategy appears to be working as he has become one of the fastest runners in 4A competitions.

The cross-country team will return to Decatur on Thursday, Oct. 12, to compete at the District 8-4A championship meet.



COURTESY PHOTO
Wesley Payne sets a school record in cross-country.

Mastering swings

Springtown's Dixie Mae Crain qualifies for national televised event

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SPRINGTOWN — Winning first place at the Drive, Chip and Putt regional golf tournament in Houston was like hitting a hole-in-one for Dixie Mae Crain.

The victory earned her the right to travel to Augusta, Georgia, to play in a national golf tournament on April 7, 2024.

"It's on TV," she said. "The attention I'll be getting will be the highest."

The 13-year-old golfer has played in hundreds of tournaments. The national tourney at Augusta is her biggest challenge yet, but that doesn't mean she'll be sweating. "It hasn't really kicked in,"

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COURTESY PHOTO

The 13-year-old golfer trains in Azle when she isn't competing.

Riding hard

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SPRINGTOWN — Springtown rodeo dropped from fourth to sixth place in the team standings recently — but not for long.

On Sept. 29-30, the team competed at the North Texas High School Rodeo Association Arena in Saginaw, and the Porcupine riders, ropers, doggers, and buckers didn't place as high as usual in some events.

"It was a double point rodeo, and some of the kids who normally get us points had an off weekend," said team sponsor Staci Harris.

The team members are healthy and working hard but simply missed opportunities on a weekend that paid double points, making a significant difference in the standings. Springtown, which had been holding on to the no. 4 spot in team standings, fell back two places.

However, a glitch in the tallying meant Springtown's points total was subsequently

Springtown rodeo re-lassos top 5 spot

increased, which pushed the team back up to fifth place in team points.

After the third rodeo of the season, Springtown had garnered 644 points for a top 5 spot.

Dominating the points was Azle (2,184), followed by Burkburnett (1,204), Brock (938), Millsap (693), and Springtown.

Harris wasn't worried about Springtown dropping down a spot. She expects her athletes to show up this weekend ready to compete with their usual fire and expertise.

"We are still working out the kinks, and the kids are individually putting in saddle time to improve each week," she said. "That's really all I ask of them — go out and improve each week."

One of the most exciting



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Brylee Bailey and the Springtown rodeo team are back in the top 5 teams.

athletes to watch this season has been bull rider Colton Phillips, a junior. Phillips won second place in bulls in weeks 2 and 3, earning well over 100 points for his team.

"Colton is doing really well covering his bulls each week," Harris said. "It's fun to

watch."

Springtown athletes who are among the top 10 in their events include Henley Sears in breakaway; Colton Phillips in bullriding; Delaney Harris in rideup goats; Kaylee Buchanan in poles; and Paige Bunero in ribbon roping.

Springtown's team will compete on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 13-14, at the North Texas High School Rodeo Association Arena in Saginaw.

WEEK 3 POINT EARNERS

Bull riding - Colton Phillips,

second place, 126 points.

Walk Up goat tying - Shaye Winford, 10th place, 14 points.

Ride up goat tying - Shaye Winford, 10th place, 14 points.

Poles - Kaylee Buchanan, sixth place, 70 points.



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Diego Beltran is a returning varsity player and leader.

Staying in shape

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AZLE — On a recent morning, the Azle varsity football team wore helmets and shoulder pads and practiced formations and plays on the artificial turf at Hornet Stadium.

The sun yawned from the horizon, spreading long shadows.

Not far away, a dozen or so other athletes ran on the track that surrounds the football field. These guys wore no pads, just white T-shirts and shorts. They learned no plays, discussed no strategy. They just ran. Ran around the track. Again and again, resting for short periods in between laps.

Eventually, the boys took a break and sprawled out on the turf behind the end zone to catch their breath.

Azle soccer boys itching for winter season

During first period class, soccer coach Diego Oliveras guides these players through strength and conditioning workouts designed especially for them by strength coach Matthew Holt.

"His biggest emphasis coming into this year has been getting our conditioning up," Oliveras said. "It's a lot of designed time runs, where the idea is not that they give 100% effort one time, but they give 70-80% effort repeated times. That builds what we like to call their gas tanks, so come season, come games, they are able to perform longer."

At 7:15 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, the soccer boys hit the track or the gym, running or lift-

ing weights. On Tuesday and Thursdays, they meet a bit later — at 8 a.m. — and discuss soccer knowledge.

"As we get closer to the season, we will start to shift the other way, where soccer will become the emphasis, with the idea that they are already in shape and ready to go for the season," he said.

Between August and November, high school football is the big-dog daddy sport, with crowds cramming into the outdoor stadiums for Friday night fun.

When January rolls around, the soccer team controls the field. They play games in colder weather than football and with smaller crowds, but the soccer boys are no less dedicated. They'll be condi-

tioning themselves for weeks to come.

After-school practices begin on Nov. 27, and the team's first scrimmage is set for Dec. 8.

This year's Hornets include seven or eight players who were on varsity last year, and they will be expected to excel on the field while mentoring younger players for the future.

"Every year is trying to find that perfect blend of experienced boys trying to help the younger boys along so that when they're gone, the cycle continues, and they leave the next class as prepared as they were," Oliveras said. "We're excited to get the season started and hopefully our hard work will pay off."

Soph power

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AZLE — The Lady Crusaders are young and talented but lacking in experience overall, making this year's volleyball season "a little rough" in the beginning, said Dari Skartvedt, a sophomore team leader.

"We don't have very many seniors," she said.

The team includes one senior and a handful of juniors.

"Our upperclassmen are all great leaders and hard workers," Skartvedt said. "Some of them haven't played as much

volleyball, and that's OK. They're learning still. And a lot of the underclassmen are just learning because they didn't get to play a lot last year."

This year's new head coach — Dari Skartvedt's mom, Danelle Skartvedt — packed the Crusaders' preseason schedule with talented and experienced teams to prepare them for the regular season. Azle Christian lost most of those early contests but swept district rival StoneGate 3-0 on Oct. 3 in front of a large hometown crowd.

"It's getting better," Dari

Youth fuels Azle Christian volleyball

Skartvedt said. "We're just learning how to be a team and work together. We have great skill, it's just the mental side that's really hard. We're learning."

She wants to make playoffs this year and make it to state before she graduates.

"It's probably a really big goal to set right now because we have a very young team, but that is one of my big goals for senior year," Skartvedt said.

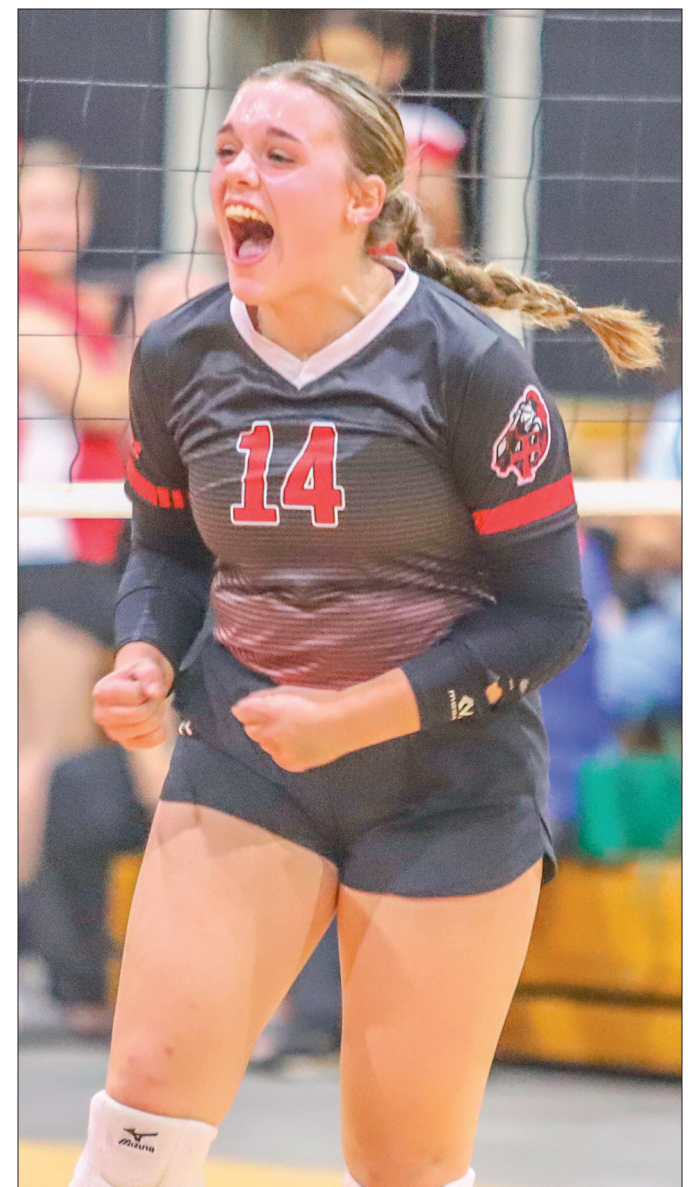
Another sophomore taking a strong role is Annaliese Houston, who maintains a towering presence at the net.

She and Skartvedt have been playing volleyball together since seventh grade and consider themselves the "OGs."

"Me and Dari have played together for a long time," Houston said. "We have a lot of chemistry together. We are in some ways leaders on the team, just being enthusiastic and encouraging. We both just really love volleyball."

A difficult part of volleyball is conquering the mental aspects, the diligence, patience, and ability to handle tough breaks and create good luck.

"Sometimes, volleyball brings out the worst in you,



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Dari Skartvedt celebrates a sweep against StoneGate on Oct. 3.



Annaliese Houston returns a serve with teammate Annabelle Corder nearby.

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but it can also bring out the best," Houston said. "Volleyball is super mental. If you're not mentally strong, then you're going to break down, for sure. Once you break through that wall, you just get stronger and stronger mentally."

The game is fast and difficult to predict, but that's part of the challenge.

"I love the adrenaline rush," she said. "When we win games, it's just so much fun to celebrate together."

Houston is among the team leaders in kill shots and blocks and has set a goal to continue improving each day.

"I never want to be satisfied with how many kills I get," she said. "I never want to be satisfied with where I'm at."

AYS Night

Azle volleyball celebrates Azle Youth Sports, beats Rider in dramatic fashion

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AZLE — The next generation of Lady Hornets filed into the gymnasium at Azle High School on Oct. 6 to watch the current team face

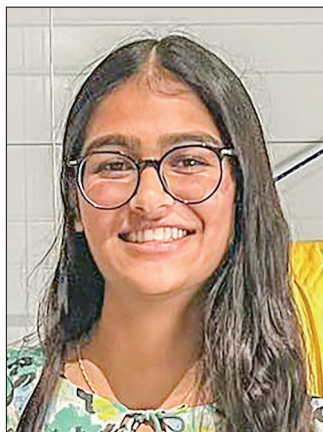
off against Wichita Falls Rider.

It was Azle Youth Sports night, and the big girls celebrated the little kids before the game. Then, Azle put on a clinic, giving a real-life example on how to battle with



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From top left, Kamryn Hill and Brynn Lee welcome a couple of Peewee Lady Hornets to Azle Youth Sports Night.



The Azle Rotary Club named junior Shree Patell as one of its Rotarians of the Month.

determination on the volleyball court.

Azle lost its first set against Rider 25-23 but battled back in the second set to win 25-23.

In the third set, Azle won again 25-20 but lost in the fourth set 25-17.

Rider seemed to have gained the momentum after winning the fourth set, but Azle fought back like wounded tigers in the fifth, winning handily 15-8.

The victory kept Azle in the fight for a playoff spot with four games remaining in the regular season.

Next up, Azle will play at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at Saginaw in a district dustup.



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Arely Licerio and the Lady Hornets play next on Friday, Oct. 13, at Saginaw.

Senior Night

Springtown volleyball celebrates its upperclassmen

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SPRINGTOWN — A couple of years ago, Adrianna Lopez wrestled with thoughts of quitting volleyball.

Lopez was a sophomore at Springtown High School back then and had been playing her favorite sport since fifth grade. By high school, however, she no longer started. Sitting on the bench discouraged her.

"There were long nights when I thought about quitting," she said. "I didn't get a lot of playing time. So, I was, like, is it really worth it to me, getting up at 6 in the morning, 5 in the morning for practices just to not play on Tuesdays and Fridays?"

She considered what she might do if she quit. The thought dawned on her that she would probably continue attending volleyball games to support her friends on the team. She figured she might as well stay on the team.

"I had a couple of good friends who were, like, keep going, don't give up," she said. "I had many long conversations with my mom telling me that also. She was a lot of help."

During that same year, she was dealing with several students at school who were spreading rumors about her that made her feel bad.

Lopez confided in some of her teachers during this time, including her favorite, Kelly Sabin.

"My sophomore year, she helped me a lot through school," Lopez said of Sabin. "Through all the drama that I had, she just said don't listen to them. There is always going to be haters."

Lopez worked on improving her volleyball game and thickening her skin to thwart her detractors. She found her groove, stayed on the volleyball team, and found peace in her junior and senior years. "You just continue trying harder and don't give up," she said.

Lopez didn't become a starter. She spent more time on the bench than the court, but she worked hard regardless and helped the team. On Oct. 6, on Senior Night, Lopez played more than usual, and her stat line showed the difference. She made 9 assists and served an ace.

After the game and the Senior Night celebrations were done, she took a moment to let things settle in her mind.

"I'm feeling good, but it's just a little bit sad knowing it's almost the last home game until playoffs," she said. "Enjoy all your high school years because it goes by fast."

She sounded wise beyond

her years, like someone who had seen hard times, endured a lot, and took life lessons from it all.

"All my family, all my teachers have shown me what it is like in the real world," she said. "There's always going to be drama. Just get through it."

After high school she plans to attend the University of Alabama and major in accounting.

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Brianna Shreves was escorted by parents Elizabeth and Jason Shreves and little sister Ashley. Brianna Shreves plans to attend college and study business and accounting.

"I want to give a huge thank you to the people standing right next to me, my family," she said. "Dad, thank you for all the criticism, which I needed, through this sport because I know if I didn't have you by my side helping me, I wouldn't be where I am today."

She thanked her mother for "all the love and the support you've given me my whole life. Even though you're my Mom, you're my built-in best friend, and I couldn't thank you enough for everything you've done."

She thanked her parents for attending all her games and expressed gratitude that sister Ashley had also fallen



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Stoli Cox hugs her favorite teacher.

in love with the sport of volleyball.

Stoli Cox was escorted by parents Louisa and John David. She plans to attend Weatherford College and major in elementary education.

Cox's favorite volleyball memory occurred her sophomore season, when coach Leighann Strickland told the team to go into a hallway and gather themselves as a team. Instead, they played hide-and-seek in the dark, empty school at 6:45 a.m. and had "so much fun," she said.

She honored her parents for "years of continuous support, love, encouragement, and understanding."

She named Angelia Mitchell as her favorite instructor but said "she was more than just a teacher — Mrs. Mitchell genuinely cares about her students and treats them like her own kids."

Cox advised her younger teammates to relish their time on the team.

"Be blessed you have this opportunity because it really goes by so fast," she said. "I cherish all my memories with you sweet girls. I love each one of you so much. I will never ever forget your beautiful faces."

Aubree Adams was escorted by parents Candice and Derek Adams, whom she showered with praise for their unconditional love.

"I owe everything to y'all because without your love, support, encouragement, harsh but true criticism, and all the time and money you've poured into me, I truly wouldn't be who I am today. On all the good and bad days, I had you. I'll always have y'all in my corner."

She thanked her friends and teammates for helping

her handle four years of high school and praised her coaches for their time and patience. "I'll be leaving my legacy through my jerseys, and by that, I mean the many sweat stains that won't wash out," she said.

She named Erin Lance as her favorite teacher.

Sterlyn Smith was escorted by parents Pam and Tony Smith, who "put countless time, support, and money" into her high school years. She described them as her top fans who tried to attend every game and wore t-shirts emblazoned with her nickname.

After graduation, Smith plans to attend Howard Payne University and major in nursing.

She praised her brother, Austin Smith, and his wife, Chelsea, for being her "biggest role models and wisest mentors."

Harlee Jackson was escorted by parents Brittany and Allen Jackson, and she thanked her entire family for "loving me unconditionally, supporting my passions, and giving me words of wisdom when I need them most — and especially for the endless laughter that results in someone almost peeing in their pants."

She plans to attend Howard Payne University after high school, but the thought of leaving her family made her melancholy.

"My high school years have been hard, and over the past four years, you have never failed to be my rock and my place of peace," she said. "Even with me going off to college soon, my home will always be with you, and I already miss you just thinking about it."

Adrianna Lopez was es-

corted by parents Isabel and Victor Lopez, and she thanked them for the "early mornings and late nights" and for "never leaving my side."

Lopez described favorite teacher Kelly Sabin as "the kind of teacher I can run to for anything, any problem, or just to rant when I need to."

Shaye Winford was escorted by mom Robin Pittman and dad Garrett Winford and Effie Medill.

She thanked her parents for "countless early mornings and late nights because of tournaments, and the endless amount of money for clubs, private lessons, and snacks during a tournament."

She thanked her team for "giving me the best senior season I could have asked for," adding that she "would not have wanted it to be with anyone else."

She plans to attend college, major in kinesiology and become a physical therapist.

SEASON CONTINUES

The Senior Night celebration prompted speeches about moving on to college and adulthood, but the Lady Porcupines still have four district games remaining on their regular season schedule, and the girls appear ready to punch their way into the playoffs.

Against Castleberry on Oct. 6, the stat leaders for kill shots were Cox (10) and Libby Tedder (9).

Kallie Conway and Ryleigh Strickland led in assists with 11 apiece.

Aerial Jackson served up 4 aces, and Smith added 3 of her own.

Smith also led with 22 digs. Springtown will play next at 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at home against Bridgeport.



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The seven seniors this year are from left on top row, Stoli Cox, Aubree Adams, Brianna Shreves, and Harlee Jackson, and on bottom row from left, Shaye Winford, Sterlyn Smith, and Adrianna Lopez.

CRAIN

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she said. "I feel like I'm going to be more excited than nervous."

About 80 junior golfers from 31 states earned invitations to compete at the 10th Annual Drive, Chip and Putt National Finals. The event will be held prior to the Masters Tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club.

The PGA of America, the

USGA, and the Masters Tournament joined forces to create Drive, Chip and Putt as a free youth golf development program. Boys and girls between 7-15 can compete in four age divisions that test the skills required for golf — accuracy in driving, chipping and putting.

In Texas, the regional qualifier was Sept. 17 at the Champions Golf Club in Houston, and Crain took first place in the girls 12-13 division. Her victory means she



Dixie Mae Crain has been playing golf since she was 7 years old.

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Dixie Mae Crain is prepping for her national TV debut.

will represent Springtown Middle School, her town, and her state in Augusta. The Golf Channel and NBC will cover the junior tournament in the week leading up to the Masters tournament.

Crain's athletic skills and hard work make her successful in multiple sports. She

runs cross-country, placed fifth out of 70 contestants at a recent race in Mineral Wells, and qualified for the Meet of the Champions. Crain also runs track and plays soccer.

She began playing golf at the age of 7 and had tried out for Drive, Chip and Putt for five consecutive years with-

out qualifying for the regional finals. This year, she practiced harder and longer and made the cut. The regional tourney was held in Houston, and Crain took the prize.

"I was more dedicated," she said. "More calm. I focused a lot more on it."

Crain practices weekly at

Cross Timbers Golf Course in Azle and loves many things about golf besides whacking a ball.

"It's just really entertaining to me," she said. "You're out there for so long, and you get to see all your friends. It's really exciting and just keeps me busy."

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TENNIS

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Granbury 15-14 this season. Azle's losses were to Aledo and Wichita Falls Rider, powerhouse tennis schools.

"I'm proud of our kids," Mason said. "We set this as our goal at the beginning of the year. We sat down as a team and said, 'Let's make history.' Every single match, these kids played. They knew the task at hand."

Emma Kabezke, a team captain, credited the team's success to determination.

"We had to beat multiple teams to be able to be where we are now, and we worked hard for it," she said. "We're all excited and really confident about it. We spend our practices busting our butts to get better so we can beat each team."

Kabezke is relatively new to the game but has improved her skills and led by example.

"I've grown a lot as a player," she said. "I know I can't slack. I have to set an example for the rest of my team, which makes me work really hard."

Aspen Castaneda, a junior, is in her first year on the varsity team after spending two years on JV. She likes varsity's faster and more competitive pace.

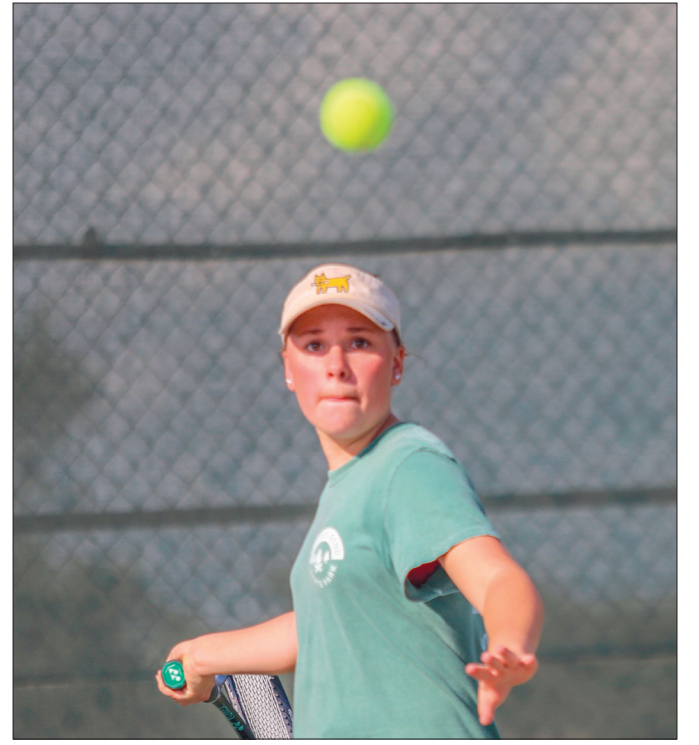
"I feel like I've been a lot more productive and improved a lot more," she said. "This is the best season I've ever played. This is an 8 out of 10 for me."

Tennis gives her a sense of relief, a feeling of responsibility, and self confidence.

"I've been a lot happier," she said. "It's nice to have a hobby that I play consistently. It's something I look forward to every day. It's one of the most exciting parts of the day for me."

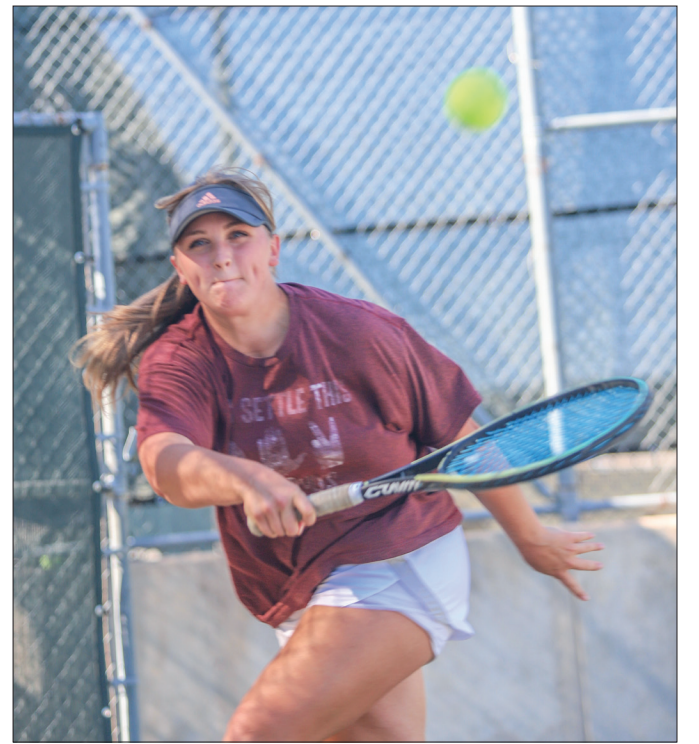
Azle will enter the playoffs by taking on South Hills this week at the Tennis Center at TCU, and the results will be announced in next week's paper.

"The kids are confident," Mason said. "They're motivated. They're ready. I'm confident in them."



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Aspen Castaneda helps Azle tennis make history.



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Emma Kabezke serves as a captain.



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Luke Petersen is one of several first-year varsity players.

"This is a quite historic year for these kids, and I'm grateful to be a part of it."

CONNOR MASON
Azle Tennis head coach

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Solution to last week's puzzle

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Puzzle by websudoku.com

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Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to phones.

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Solve the code to discover words related to summer recreation. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 14 = e)

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Clue: Warm rays
- B. 5 23 23 8
Clue: Swimming area
- C. 23 13 14 3 24
Clue: Salt water
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Clue: For fun

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**ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION
AND NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
PARKER AND WISE COUNTIES
SPRINGTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Springtown Independent School District (the "District") deems it advisable to call the bond election hereinafter ordered (the "Election"); and

WHEREAS, the bond referendum is subject to the provisions of Section 45.003, Texas Education Code, and the District is contracting with Wise County, Texas ("Wise County") and Parker County, Texas ("Parker County"), and together with Wise County, the "Contracting Counties") for the administration of the Election pursuant to an interlocal agreement with the Contracting Counties (the "Election Contract"); and

WHEREAS, Wise County, acting through the Wise County Elections Administrator (the "Wise County Elections Administrator") in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Wise County, and Parker County, acting through the Parker County Elections Administrator (the "Parker County Elections Administrator", together with the Wise County Elections Administrator, the "Elections Administrators") in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Parker County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SPRINGTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. Election Ordered; Polling Places. The Election shall be held in the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2023 ("Election Day"). The Election is to be conducted and administered by the Contracting Counties as provided by Chapter 271 and Chapter 31, Subchapter D of the Texas Election Code (the "Code"), and the Election Contract. Election Day and Early Voting shall occur on the dates and during the hours and at the designated polling places as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof for all intents and purposes. Exhibit "A" shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places required to conform to the Election Contract and the Code.

Section 3. Early Voting. Early voting shall be administered by the Contracting Counties. Early Voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 23, 2023, and conclude on November 3 and will be conducted at the Early Voting locations on the dates and at the times specified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. The early voting polling places shall remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the District at such voting place. Exhibit "A" shall be modified to include additional or different early voting polling places required to conform to the Election Contract and the Code.

Section 4. Election Officials. The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the Elections Administrators.

Section 5. Voting by Mail. Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the District shall submitted by personal delivery or shall be mailed to the address below prior to the deadline prescribed by law:

(a) Applications for voting by mail for all Parker County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:

Postal Mail: Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086

Commercial Carrier/
Personal Delivery Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086
Telephone (817)598-6185
Fax (817)598-6183
Email elections@parkercountytx.com

(b) Applications for voting by mail for all Wise County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:

Postal Mail: Wise County Elections Administrator
PO Box 1597
Decatur, Texas 76234

Commercial Carrier or
Personal Delivery Wise County Elections Administrator
200 S. Trinity
Decatur, Texas 76234

Telephone (940) 626-4453
Fax (940) 626-4283
Email elections@co.wise.tx.us

Section 6. Early Voting Ballots. An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election, and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Elections Administrators. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

Section 7. Qualified Voters. All qualified electors of and residing in the District, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

Section 8. Proposition. At the Election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

SPRINGTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION
SPRINGTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Springtown Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$120,780,000 for the purpose of constructing, improving, and equipping a new middle school campus; restroom renovations at the existing intermediate school and purchasing land for school buildings; with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

Section 9. Ballots. The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

Springtown Independent School District Special Election
Springtown Independent School District Proposition A

For _____)
)
) The issuance of \$120,780,000 of bonds by
) the Springtown Independent School District
) for school facilities and the purchase of land,
) and levying the tax in payment thereof. This
) is a property tax increase.
)
)
)
)
)

Section 10. Compliance with Federal Law. In all respects, the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA") and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code. The District hereby finds that the voting system to be used by the Contracting Counties in administering the Election is such a system, and orders that such voting equipment or other equipment certified by the Texas Secretary of State shall be used by the District in its elections.

Section 11. The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Superintendent, President, Vice President or the Secretary of the Board of Trustees to execute or attest on behalf of the District the Election Contract with the Contracting Counties.

Section 12. The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.009(b), Texas Election Code.

(a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.

(b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.

(c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is \$120,780,000 for Proposition A.

(d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the Board of Trustees will be authorized to levy annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds.

(e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 4.750%. Such estimate considers several factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.

(f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed forty years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds, although the District estimates the bonds will be issued over a period not to exceed thirty years (although thirty years is not a legal limitation on the future issuance of the bonds and is dependent on taxable valuations and market conditions at the time of issuance of the bonds).

(g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the District's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$43,605,000.

(h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the District's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$15,674,088.

(i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the District as of the date of this Order is \$0.2003 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

(j) The website for the District (as the authority conducting the election) is www.springtownisd.net and the website for the Parker County Elections Administrator is www.parkercountytx.com/118/Elections and the website for the Wise County Elections Administrator is www.co.wise.tx.us/315/Elections.

ORDEN PARA CONVOCAR UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS Y AVISO DE ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

EL ESTADO DE TEXAS
CONDADOS DE PARKER Y DE WISE
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN

EN VISTA DE QUE la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Springtown (el "Distrito") considera aconsejable convocar la elección de bonos que se ordena más adelante en la presente (la "Elección"); y

EN VISTA DE QUE el referéndum de bonos está sujeto a las disposiciones de la Sección 45.003 del Código de Educación de Texas, y el Distrito está celebrando un contrato con el Condado de Wise, Texas ("Condado de Wise") y con el Condado de Parker, Texas ("Condado de Parker" y junto con el Condado de Wise, los "Condados Contratados") para que administren la Elección en virtud de un convenio interlocal con los Condados Contratados (el "Contrato Electoral"); y

EN VISTA DE QUE el Condado de Wise actuando a través del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise (el "Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise") de acuerdo con el Contrato Electoral proveerá la administración de la Elección para los residentes del Distrito que viven en el Condado de Wise y el Condado de Parker actuando a través del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker (el "Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker", junto al Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise, los "Administradores de Elecciones") de acuerdo con el Contrato Electoral proveerá la administración de la Elección para los residentes del Distrito que viven en el Condado de Parker, Texas; y

EN VISTA DE QUE por la presente se halla y determina oficialmente que la asamblea en la cual esta Orden fue adoptada estuvo abierta al público, y que se dio aviso público de la hora, el lugar y el propósito de la asamblea, todo según lo exige el Capítulo 551 del Código de Gobierno de Texas.

POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE SÍNDICOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN ORDENA:

Sección 1. Las declaraciones contenidas en el preámbulo de esta Orden son verdaderas y correctas y se adoptan como determinaciones de hechos y como disposiciones operativas de la presente.

Sección 2. *Elección ordenada; lugares de votación.* La Elección se llevará a cabo en el Distrito en el horario de 7:00 a. m. a 7:00 p. m. el 7 de noviembre de 2023 (el "Día de Elección"). Los Condados Contratados organizarán y administrarán la Elección según lo dispuesto en el Capítulo 271 y el Subcapítulo D del Capítulo 31 del Código Electoral de Texas (el "Código") y el Contrato Electoral. La votación del Día de Elección y durante la Votación Anticipada se llevará acabo en las fechas y horarios y en los lugares de votación designados de la forma indicada en el Anexo "A" adjunto a este documento, el cual, por la presente se incorpora a esta Orden para toda intención y propósito. El Anexo "A" será modificado para incluir lugares de votación adicionales o diferentes para el Día de Elección requeridos para cumplir con el Contrato Electoral y el Código.

Sección 3. *Votación anticipada.* La votación anticipada será administrada por los Condados Contratados. La votación anticipada en persona comenzará el 23 de octubre de 2023 y terminará el 3 de noviembre de 2023, y se llevará a cabo en los lugares de Votación Anticipada en las fechas y horarios especificados en el Anexo "A" adjunto a este documento. Los lugares de votación anticipada se mantendrán abiertos durante dichos horarios para la votación anticipada en persona para cualquier votante del Distrito registrado en dicho lugar de votación. El Anexo "A" podrá modificarse para incluir lugares de votación adicionales o diferentes para la elección anticipada requeridos para cumplir con el Contrato Electoral y el Código.

Sección 4. *Funcionarios Electorales.* La designación de los Jueces Electorales Presidentes, Jueces Alternos, Oficiales de Votación Anticipada, el Juez Presidente del consejo de boletas de votación anticipada y demás funcionarios electorales de la Elección la harán los Administradores de Elecciones.

Sección 5. *Votación por correo.* Las solicitudes de votación por correo para todos los residentes del Distrito deben entregarse en persona o deben enviarse por correo postal a la siguiente dirección antes de la fecha límite indicada por la ley:

(a) Las solicitudes de votación por correo de todos los residentes del Distrito en el Condado de Parker deben enviarse a:

Correo postal Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086

Servicio de correo privado/
Entrega en persona

Parker County Elections
Elections Administrator
1112 Santa Fe Drive
Weatherford, TX 76086
Teléfono (817)598-6185
Fax (817)598-6183
Correo electrónico
elections@parkercountytx.com

(b) Las solicitudes de votación por correo de todos los residentes del Distrito en el Condado de Wise deben enviarse a:

Correo postal	Wise County Elections Administrator PO Box 1597 Decatur, Texas 76234
Servicio de correo privado o entrega en persona	Wise County Elections Administrator 200 S. Trinity Decatur, Texas 76234
Teléfono	(940) 626-4453
Fax	(940) 626-4283
Correo electrónico	elections@co.wise.tx.us

Sección 6. *Boletas de votación anticipada.* Se creará un Consejo de Boletas de Votación Anticipada para procesar los resultados de la votación anticipada de la Elección, y los Administradores de Elecciones designarán al Juez Presidente de dicho Consejo. El Juez Presidente del Consejo de Boletas de Votación Anticipada nombrará a dos o más miembros adicionales para formar el Consejo de Boletas de Votación Anticipada y, de ser necesario, a los miembros del Comité de Verificación de Firmas requeridos para procesar de forma eficiente las boletas de votación anticipada.

Sección 7. *Votantes habilitados.* Todos los votantes habilitados y residentes en el Distrito tendrán derecho a votar en la elección.

Sección 8. *Proposición.* En la Elección se presentará la siguiente PROPOSICIÓN en conformidad con la ley:

ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN
PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN

¿Se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Springtown a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o más series, en la cantidad total de capital de \$120,780,000, para el propósito de construir, mejorar y equipar un nuevo campus de escuela intermedia; renovaciones de baños en la escuela intermedia existente y compra de sitios para edificios escolares, con los bonos venciendo, devengando interés y siendo emitidos y vendidos en conformidad con la ley al momento de emisión; y se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos a imponer y comprometer y hacer tasar y recaudar impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre toda propiedad gravable en el Distrito, suficientes, sin límite en cuanto a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital y el interés de los bonos?

Sección 9. *Boletas de votación.* Las boletas de votación oficiales para la Elección se prepararán en conformidad con el Código Electoral de Texas para permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la PROPOSICIÓN antedicha, y de manera que contengan dichas disposiciones, marcas y lenguaje conforme a lo que exige la ley, y con dicha PROPOSICIÓN expresada básicamente de la siguiente manera:

ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN	
A FAVOR _____) La emisión de \$120,780,000 en bonos por parte del distrito escolar independiente de Springtown para instalaciones escolares y la compra de terrenos, y la imposición del impuesto para el pago de los bonos. Esto es un aumento al impuesto predial.
EN CONTRA _____)

Sección 10. *Conformidad con las leyes federales.* En todos sus aspectos, la Elección se llevará a cabo de acuerdo con el Código. En virtud de la Ley federal Ayude a América a Votar ("HAVA") y el Código, cada lugar de votación dispondrá como mínimo de un sistema de votación equipado para personas con discapacidad, y cada uno de los sistemas de votación de ese tipo será un sistema que cuente con la certificación de cumplimiento de HAVA y el Código emitida por el Secretario de Estado de Texas. El Distrito halla por la presente que el sistema de votación que será utilizado por los Condados Contratados para administrar la Elección es uno de dichos sistemas, y ordena que el Distrito, en sus elecciones, utilice tal equipo de votación o algún otro equipo certificado por el Secretario de Estado de Texas.

Sección 11. La Junta de Síndicos autoriza por este medio al Superintendente, Presidente, Vicepresidente o Secretario de la Junta de Síndicos a celebrar o atestiguar, en nombre del Distrito, el Contrato Electoral con los Condados Contratados.

Sección 12. De acuerdo con las disposiciones de la Sección 3.009(b) del Código Electoral de Texas, se provee la siguiente información:

(a) El lenguaje de la proposición que aparecerá en la boleta de votación se establece en la Sección 9 de este documento.

(b) El propósito por el cual se han de autorizar los bonos se establece en la Sección 8 de este documento.

(c) La cantidad del capital de las obligaciones de deuda que se ha de autorizar es de \$120,780,000 para la Proposición A.

(d) Si los votantes aprueban los bonos, la Junta de Síndicos estará autorizada a imponer impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre toda propiedad gravable del Distrito, suficientes, sin límite en cuanto a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital y el interés de los bonos y el costo de cualquier convenio crediticio celebrado en relación con los bonos.

(e) Según las condiciones del mercado de bonos en la fecha de adopción de esta Orden, la tasa de interés máxima para cualquier serie de bonos se estima en 4.750%. Dicho estimado considera diversos factores, incluidos el programa de emisión, el programa de vencimiento y las clasificaciones de bonos esperadas de los bonos propuestos. Dicha tasa de interés máxima estimada se provee a título informativo, pero no es un límite a la tasa de interés a la que podrían venderse los bonos o pagarés, o cualquier serie de estos.

(f) Si se aprueban los bonos, pueden emitirse en una o más series, con vencimiento en serie, durante un período que no exceda los cuarenta años a partir de la fecha de emisión de cada serie de bonos, aunque el Distrito estima que los bonos se emitirán durante un período que no exceda los treinta años (aunque treinta años no es una limitación legal para la futura emisión de bonos y depende de las valoraciones imponibles y las condiciones del mercado en el momento de la emisión de los bonos).

(g) La cantidad total de capital pendiente de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito a la fecha de esta Orden es de \$43,605,000.

(h) La cantidad total de interés pendiente de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito a la fecha de esta Orden es de \$15,674,088.

(i) La tasa del impuesto ad valorem para el servicio de la deuda para el Distrito a la fecha de esta Orden es de \$0.2003 por cada \$100 de tasación fiscal gravable.

(j) El sitio web del Distrito (como la autoridad que organiza la elección) es www.springtownisd.net y el sitio web del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Parker es www.parkercountytx.com/118/Elections el sitio web del Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Wise es www.co.wise.tx.us/315/Elections.

EXHIBIT A – ANEXO A

Parker County Early Voting Locations Dates and Times

Lugares, fechas y horarios de votación anticipada del Condado de Parker

EARLY VOTING SITES AND HOURS (SITIOS Y HORARIOS DE VOTACION ANTICIPADA) Early Voting sites and hours for voting by personal appearance for the GENERAL/SPECIAL ELECTION to be held on November 7, 2023 as conducted by Parker County, Texas are as follows: (Los lugares para la votación anticipada y el horario para la votación en persona para la ELECCION GENERAL/ESPECIAL que se llevara a cabo el 7 de noviembre de 2023, según lo llevara a cabo el condado de Parker, Texas, son los siguientes:)

Main Voting Site (Sitio de votacion principal)
Parker County Courthouse Annex
1112 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford, 76086, Annex Kitchen

Branch Voting Sites

Table with 2 columns: Location Name and Address. Includes Springtown Senior Center, Hudson Oaks Public Safety Building, Millsap Community Center, Peaster ISD Old Rock Gym, Azle City Hall, Aledo ISD Admin Building, PCT 3 County Barn.

Temporary Early Voting Sites / Sitios temporales de votación anticipada

Table with 2 columns: Location Name and Address. Includes Poolville ISD Technology Building, Springtown ISD Elementary School.

Regular Early Voting Hours and Days
(Horas y dias regulares de votacion anticipada)

Table with 2 columns: Date and Time. Lists voting hours from Monday, October 23, 2023 to Friday, November 3, 2023.

Parker County Election Day Locations and Times
Lugares y horarios del Día de Elección para el Condado de Parker

November 7, 2023 / 7 de noviembre de 2023
7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Election Day sites for voting by personal appearance for the GENERAL/SPECIAL ELECTION to be held on NOVEMBER 7, 2023 as conducted by Parker County, Texas are as follows:

(Los lugares del día de las Elecciones para votar en persona para la ELECCION ENERAL/ESPECIAL que se llevara a cabo el 7 de noviembre de 2023 segun lo realizado por el Condado de Parker, Texas son los siguientes:)

Table with 2 columns: Location Name and Address. Lists various voting sites across Parker County, including churches, community centers, and schools.

Wise County Early Voting Locations Dates and Times
Lugares, fechas y horarios de votación anticipada del Condado de Wise

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS / Ubicaciones de Votación Anticipada
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Los Votantes Pueden Votar En Cualquier Centro Electoral Durante La Votación Temprana

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, and Spanish translation. Lists voting hours from Monday, October 23, 2023 to Friday, November 3, 2023.

Table with 2 columns: Location Name and Address. Lists early voting sites in Decatur, Alvord, Boyd, and Bridgeport.

Wise County Election Day Locations and Times
Lugares y horarios del Día de Elección para el Condado de Wise

November 7, 2023 / 7 de noviembre de 2023
 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

LOCATIONS OF ELECTION DAY
CONSOLIDATED POLLING PLACES

(Ubicación de las casillas consolidadas electorales del Día de Elección)

Precincts (Precintos) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 22 will vote at (votarán)
 Decatur City Hall, 201 E. Walnut, Decatur, TX 76234

Precincts (Precintos) 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19 will vote at (votarán)
 Assumption Catholic Church, 1305 S. Deer Park, Decatur, TX 76234

Precincts (Precintos) 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 28 and 29 will vote at (votarán)
 Bridgeport Bridgeport Community Center, 1102 Lawdwin Ave, Bridgeport, TX 76426

Precincts (Precintos) 20, 23, 24, 25, 27 and 30 will vote at (votarán)
 Boyd Community Center, 420 E. Morton Ave, Boyd, TX 76023

Voter Information Document –
Springtown Independent School District Special Election

Proposition A

The following information is prepared to comply with Tex. H.B. 477 86th Leg., R.S. (2019) and is for illustration purposes only. The information is not a part of the proposition to be voted on and does not create a contract with the voters.

At the Election, the following language will appear on the ballot:

Springtown Independent School District Special Election
Springtown Independent School District Proposition A

For _____) The issuance of \$120,780,000 of bonds by the
) Springtown Independent School District for
 Against _____) school facilities and the purchase of land, and
) levying the tax in payment thereof. This is a
) property tax increase.

The following table sets forth the estimated principal amount of, and interest due to maturity on, the bonds to be issued if Proposition A passes, and all outstanding obligations of the District secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes.

Principal Amount of Bonds to be authorized	Estimated interest for Bonds to be authorized ⁽¹⁾	Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the Bonds to be authorized ⁽¹⁾	Principal of District's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 08/15/2023)	Remaining interest on District's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 08/15/2023)	Combined Principal & Interest to timely pay District's Outstanding Debt (as of 08/15/2023)
\$120,780,000	\$122,086,213	\$242,866,213	\$43,605,000	\$15,674,088	\$59,279,088

(1) The interest on the proposed bonds was estimated at a rate of 4.75% based on market conditions as of August 15, 2023, and therefore, the interest payable on the proposed bonds may be less than, or more than, the amounts set forth above based on market conditions at the time of sale of the proposed bonds.

Based on the information and assumptions provided in the table above, the estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the District with a taxable appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the proposed bonds, if approved, is \$0. This estimate assumes passage of the November 7, 2023 constitutional amendment increasing the residence homestead exemption amount to \$100,000, and assumes annual growth of District's taxable assessed valuation in the amount of 5% through tax year 2026, and holds the District's taxable assessed valuation constant thereafter and assumes that the proposed bonds will be issued in an amortization that will produce relatively consistent levels of debt service in each year. The District could issue bonds in installments over time as the tax base growth and projected growth allow.

Documento de Información para los Votantes – Elección Especial del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Springtown - Proposición A

La siguiente información se prepara para cumplir con el proyecto de ley 477 de la Cámara de Representantes de Tex. en la 86.^{ta} Leg., R.S. (2019) y es solo para propósitos ilustrativos. La información no forma parte de la proposición sometida a votación ni crea un contrato con los votantes.

En la Elección, aparecerá el siguiente lenguaje en la boleta:

ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN	
A FAVOR _____)	La emisión de \$120,780,000 en bonos por parte del distrito escolar independiente de Springtown para instalaciones escolares y la compra de terrenos, y la imposición del impuesto para el pago de los bonos. Esto es un aumento al impuesto predial.
EN CONTRA _____)	

El siguiente cuadro indica la cantidad de capital estimada y de interés adeudado para el vencimiento de los bonos a ser emitidos en caso de aprobarse la Proposición A y todas las obligaciones pendientes del Distrito garantizadas y pagaderas de los impuestos ad valorem.

Cantidad de capital de los bonos a autorizar	Interés estimado de los bonos a autorizar ⁽¹⁾	Estimado de la combinación de capital e interés requerido para pagar en su totalidad y a tiempo los bonos a autorizar ⁽¹⁾	Capital de la deuda pendiente existente del Distrito (al 15/ agosto/23)	Interés restante sobre la deuda pendiente existente del Distrito (al 15/ agosto/23)	Capital e interés combinados para pagar oportunamente la deuda pendiente del Distrito (al 15/ agosto/23)
\$120,780,000	\$122,086,213	\$242,866,213	\$43,605,000	\$15,674,088	\$59,279,088

SPORTS Roundup

AZLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

On Oct. 6, the Azle Christian School football team was set to play Cornerstone but won by forfeit, pushing the Crusaders' record to 5-2. Next up, Azle Christian will play at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at home against Bethesda.

FORTE JUNIOR HIGH

On Oct. 5, the Forte volleyball teams took on Decatur's teams and played hard in front of a home crowd but couldn't find the win column.

The seventh grade A Team played with fire until the end but fell 25-20 and 25-15. Kyle Covington played a great game on front row with numerous tough hits. Berklyn Reed caught up the Lady Hornets in points with her strong serves. Jordyn Johnston received hard serves with impressive digs.

The seventh grade B Team lost 25-10 and 25-14. Baylor Frey and Sadie Olsen enjoyed good nights serving, and Emily Cafferata played lights out from the back row.

The eighth grade A Team lost 25-10 and 25-9. Paige Harvey played well on the front row, with Sheyla Soto contributing several blocks. Halee Collins contributed with great effort and hustle throughout the match.

The eighth grade B Team fell 25-6 and 25-9. The Lady Hornets struggled to find their groove as a whole, although Ximena Acosta played her best match of the year.

On Oct. 3, the Forte Junior High football teams took on Springtown's teams and won two of three games, including two shutouts.

The seventh grade White Team walked away with a 12-0 victory. Hard work from a defense that refused to give up helped win the day. "Their excellent tackling all but ensured the victory," said boys athletic coordinator Terrell Hawkins.

The seventh grade Green Team pulled off a spectacular win against Springtown by a score of 44-0. The Hornets were able to capitalize on an excellent performance by the offensive that included a solid running game coupled with a strong receiver corps. The star of the show, however, was the defense. "The defensive line built a wall that was almost impossible to play through," Hawkins said.

The eighth grade team came up short 28-7 against Springtown after a strong start. Forte's offense scored on the first drive of the game. Running back Lucas Revelle ran hard, and Cooper Johnson scored on a pass from Treven Tittle. "The team continues to make strides toward improvement," Hawkins said.

AZLE JUNIOR HIGH

The seventh grade football White Team beat Decatur Middle School to improve its record to 4-0.

The seventh grade Green Team prevailed against Decatur 24-0 to improve its record to 5-0.

The eighth grade White Team lost to Decatur 14-6 but maintains its winning record at 3-2.

The eighth grade Green Team lost 44-36 — its first loss of the season, dropping the Hornets to still impres-

sive 4-1.

On Oct. 5, the Azle volleyball seventh grade B Team traveled to Mineral Wells to take on the Lady Rams. Azle started slowly but kept coming back. The Rams had tough servers and took a big lead in the end to win 25-11. Azle played better in the second set but fell 25-17. Lila Averitte's excellent serving almost put the Hornets back in the second game. Providing impressive volleys and smart play for Azle were Kenzie Harrison, Avery Anderson, Arrayah Aguilar, and Presslei Dodson.

The seventh grade A Team also fought hard against the Rams. The Hornets lost the first set, fought hard and won the second, and fell just short in the third. Gigi Martinez, Gia Lardizabal, Kinzley Gray, Kenzie Harris, Zaylyn Woods, and Chloe McLain displayed strong work ethic, hitting, and blocking on the front row. Harris, Camila Montes, Callista Spencer, Hailey Herrera, and Martinez worked hard in the back-row passing up serves, tips, and hits. Everly Arellano and Woods worked hard setting the ball to their teammates and looked for open spots to place the ball. All of the girls transitioned from defense to offense well, blocked and dug hits, covered and passed up tips, communicated together, and moved their feet all game long.

The eighth grade B Team won its game against Marine Creek 25-22 and 25-21. Ella Booten did an outstanding job of serving.

The eighth grade A Team took on Chisholm Trail and took both sets from the Lady Bulldogs. Azle's Bailey Seward dominated in serving, and Kim Licerio and Finley Hard kept the back row on lock down with exciting defensive plays. Offensively, Abbie Yochum and Tori Moore attacked well.

(2) El interés sobre los bonos propuestos fue estimado con una tasa del 4.75% según las condiciones del mercado al 15 de agosto de 2023 y, en consecuencia, el interés pagadero sobre los bonos propuestos puede ser inferior o superior a las cantidades indicadas antes en función de las condiciones del mercado en el momento de venta de los bonos propuestos.

Con base en la información y los supuestos proporcionados en la tabla anterior, el aumento anual máximo estimado en la cantidad de impuestos que se impondrían a una residencia en el Distrito con un valor tasado imponible de \$100,000 para pagar los bonos propuestos, si se aprueban, es \$0. Esta estimación supone la aprobación de la enmienda constitucional del 7 de noviembre de 2023 que aumenta el monto de la exención de residencia familiar a \$100,000, y asume un crecimiento anual de la valoración tasada imponible del Distrito en un monto del 5% hasta el año fiscal 2026, y mantiene constante la valoración tasada imponible del Distrito a partir de entonces y supone que los bonos propuestos se emitirán mediante una amortización que producirá niveles relativamente consistentes de servicio de la deuda cada año. El Distrito podría emitir bonos en cuotas a lo largo del tiempo, según lo permitan el crecimiento de la base impositiva y el crecimiento proyectado.

SPRINGTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION
(ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SPRINGTOWN)

November 7, 2023 (7 de noviembre de 2023)

OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETAS ELECTORALES OFICIALES)

Place an "x" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

(Coloque una "x" en el cuadro al lado de la declaración indicando en qué forma usted quiere votar.)

Springtown Independent School District Special Election Springtown Independent School District Proposition A	
For _____)	The issuance of \$120,780,000 of bonds by the Springtown Independent School District for school facilities and the purchase of land, and levying the tax in payment thereof. This is a property tax increase.
Against _____)	

Elección especial del distrito escolar independiente de Springtown Proposición a del distrito escolar independiente de Springtown	
a favor _____)	La emisión de \$120,780,000 en bonos por parte del distrito escolar independiente de springtown para edificios escolares y la compra de terrenos y la imposición del impuesto para el pago de los bonos. Esto es un aumento al impuesto predial.
en contra _____)	

FOOTBALL CONTEST • 2023 •

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
\$20⁰⁰	\$10⁰⁰	\$5⁰⁰

Winners can pick up their checks at the Tri-County Reporter office after Thursday.

• OFFICIAL RULES •

There are 24 games listed in advertisements on this page. To enter, pick the winner and write the name of that team in the appropriate blank on the official entry form. Mail or deliver the form to the Tri-County Reporter at 321 W. Main St., Azle, Texas 76020, by 1:00 PM FRIDAY. (Limit one entry per person). Entries can also be dropped off at Highland Furniture on the Square in Springtown, 133 E. 1st St.

Entries will be tabulated weekly and the results published in that week's issue of the Tri-County Reporter. The first place winner each week will receive \$20, the second place winner \$10 and the third place winner \$5. The tie breaker will be used to determine placings. In case of a tie, the money will be divided equally. To pick the tie breaker, predict the total number of points in the selected game and enter in the appropriate space on the official entry form. All entries become the property of the Tri-County Reporter. Please write clearly and be sure to enter your pick in the correct blank. Second tiebreaker decided by whoever picks Azle and Springtown games correctly.

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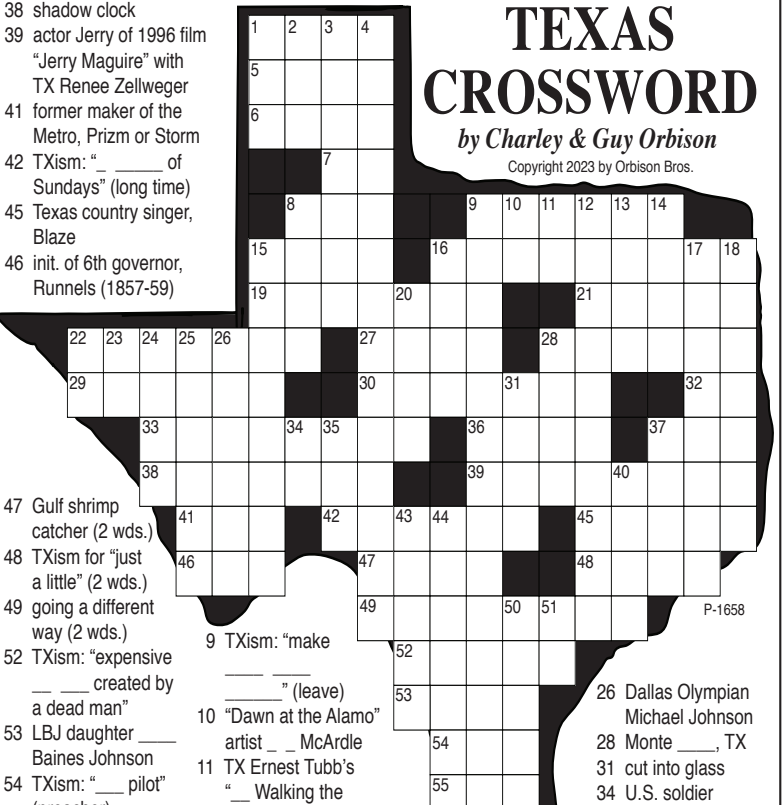
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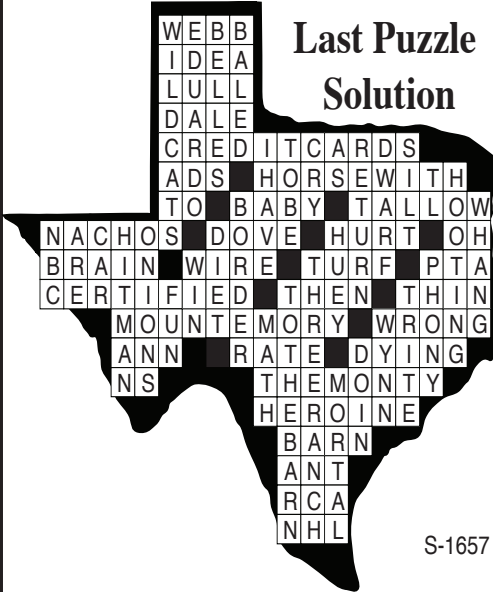
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