

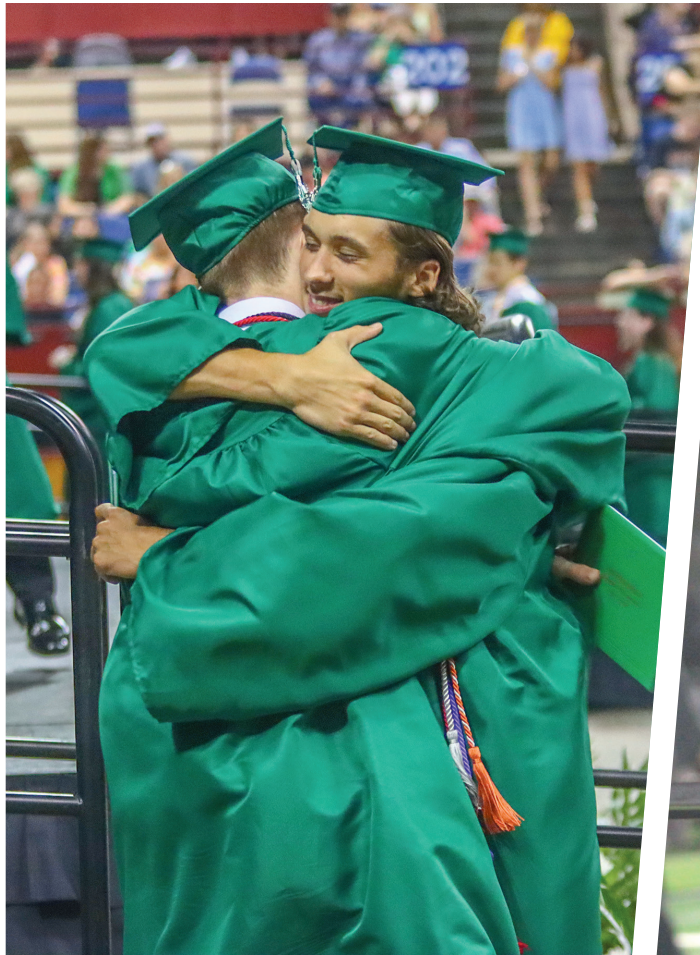
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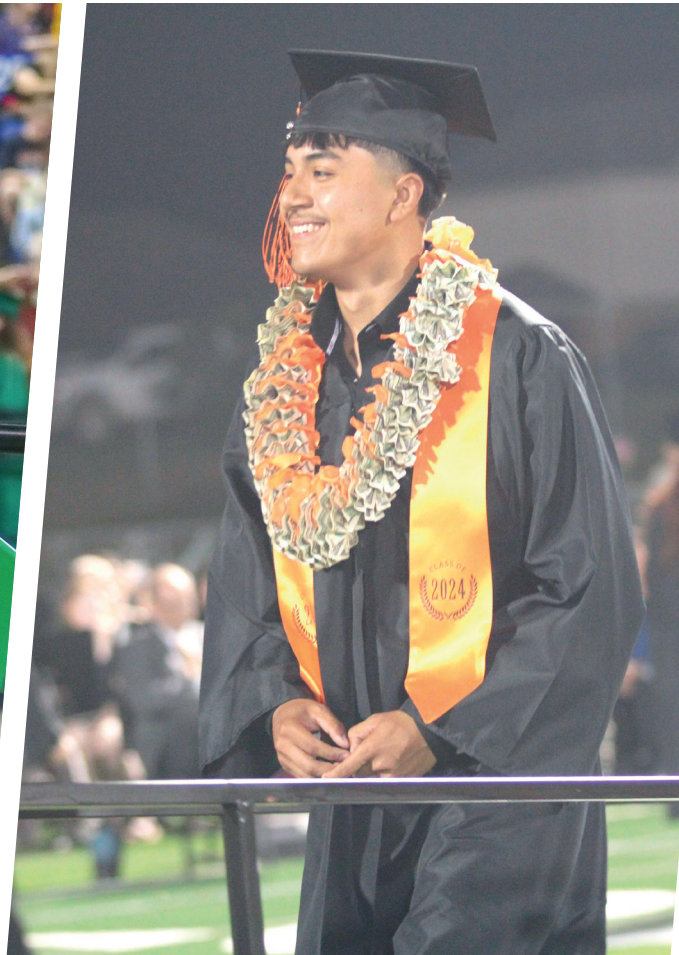
### AZLE



**ZACH FREEMAN** | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER  
Azle graduates Tristan Dorado and Dalton Dorris hug it out on graduation night.

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### SPRINGTOWN



**MADelyn EDWARDS** | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER  
Springtown senior David Perez smiles as he crosses the stage at graduation.

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### LAKE WORTH



**JESSE RAMIREZ JR.** | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER  
Lake Worth graduate Adiyah Searcy hollers with excitement.

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## Four dead after wrong-way wreck on FM 51

*Teacher survives with serious injuries*

### STAFF REPORTS

SPRINGTOWN — Two children and two adults are dead after a crash Sunday, May 26 on Farm-to-Market Road 51.

According to a Texas Department of Public Safety press release, a white Subaru Legacy travelled into the wrong lane on FM 51 south of Friendship Road and hit a black Ford F-150 head-on. The Subaru driver Kathryn

Lain, 29 of Boyd, died as did three passengers in the Ford — two unnamed 9-year-old girls and 66-year-old Gregory Schilb, all from Springtown. The only survivor of the crash was Autumn Reed, 43 of Springtown, who was sent to Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth with a serious injury.

DPS' press release indicates that the reason why Lain's

Subaru drifted into the wrong lane is unknown, and an ongoing investigation is underway.

On Springtown Independent School District's Facebook page, Superintendent Shane Strickland confirmed that the two girls who died were fourth graders in the school district, and the surviving woman is a Goshen Creek Elementary School teacher.

"The teacher was care

flighted from the scene and is currently in stable condition but faces a long road to recovery," Strickland said in the statement.

Earlier this week, grief counselors were available at Goshen Creek Elementary School for those who need emotional help at this time. A prayer rally was also scheduled at Springtown High School at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the

auditorium.

"Our hearts ache for the families of those we lost, for our entire district, and for our community as a whole," Strickland said. "We are heartbroken to hear about any life that was lost during this tragedy. Life is so precious and way too short. During this difficult time, we ask that you hold them in your thoughts and prayers."

## Springtown man sentenced to 35 years in prison

### STAFF REPORTS

WEATHERFORD — A jury in the Parker County 415th District Court convicted a Springtown man on the first-degree felony charge of repeated sexual abuse of an 11-year-old girl.

On May 23, Aniceto Turrubiates Sanchez, 38, was sentenced to 35 years in prison without parole, meaning he will have to serve the entirety of his sentence.

Sanchez was initially arrested in August 2021, after

### Sanchez convicted of repeated sexual abuse of a child

his wife found him with the victim, who was partially undressed, at their home. According to a press release from the Parker County District Attorney's Office, Sanchez's wife testified that her husband claimed nothing happened between him and the victim, but the victim told her that Sanchez had been sexually abusing

her. Sanchez's wife took the victim to Cook Children's Hospital where she was examined by a sexual assault nurse examiner. The victim reported that Sanchez had molested her between ten and 20 times, which led to his arrest the next day.

"The victim's outcry came in on a Saturday. Within 14 hours, (Children's Advocacy

Center of Parker County) Forensic Interviewer Brittany Lain had interviewed the victim, (Parker County Sheriff's Office Investigator Nathan) Vick had interviewed the suspect, and an arrest was made," Parker County District Attorney Jeff Swain said in the press release. "This shows the dedication of our (Children's Advocacy Center) staff and law enforcement officers, and the importance that they place on protecting our com-

munity's children. They will all work nights and weekends if that's what is needed to keep our kids safe."

According to the press release, Sanchez told the investigator that he denied sexually abusing the victim.

"However, what we pointed out to the jury in closing argument was that his story changed during the interview," Assistant District Attorney Abby Placke said in



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PLEASE SEE ABUSE | A4 Aniceto Turrubiates Sanchez



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# Reno City Council recognizes outgoing member Hernando Herrera

## Herrera welcomes successor Kevin Vandenberg

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RENO — The May 15 Reno City Council meeting marked Hernando Herrera's last day on council, and as such, fellow city officials honored him for his five years of service.

"Felt like seven (years)," Herrera said, causing snickers from the people around him.

Jokes continued to fly while the council recognized Herrera. Mayor Hector Bas Jr. kidded that the plaque he presented to Herrera was for "five years of not doing anything." Council member Jennifer Vogle playfully suggested that Herrera's wife in the audience should also be receiving a plaque, but Mayor Pro Tem Shelli Swift pointed out that she is already being honored by her husband leaving council.

"You're just trying to make sure he makes it out that door without signing anything else," Swift said to Herrera's wife Melissa jokingly.

But amid the humor, heartfelt sentiments were also exchanged. Bas and council members at the meeting — Swift, Vogle and Tod Siedell — told Herrera how much they appreciated him and enjoyed working with him.

"Hernando, thank you for everything," Bas said. "I'm glad to have the opportunity to get to meet you for the last year that you decided to run."

Herrera choked up on his words while expressing what it meant to him to be able to serve Reno. He said he would count his time on city council as one of the greatest honors



**MADLYN EDWARDS | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER**  
Mayor Hector Bas Jr., right, presents a plaque to Hernando Herrera for his service on Reno City Council. After deciding not to seek re-election, Herrera stepped down from his position May 15.

of his life in a list that also includes his military service, having kids and grandkids and marrying his wife.

"I just wanted to take the opportunity to convey my gratitude for the honor of having the opportunity to serve Reno," Herrera said during the council meeting. To his fellow council members, he said, "I'm extremely grateful to each and every one of you, for every interaction I've had one way or another."

Herrera has witnessed multiple controversial topics come up in city council meetings, like the lawsuit over the disincorporation petition and discussion of removing members of the Planning and Zoning Commission. He was

also a vocal defender of the one-home-per-acre rule.

In his parting words, Herrera also had some advice for the council members.

"Remember the voices and the conversations you guys have had from the time you first stepped into city hall to now," he said. "Remember the conversations you've had with everybody. Stay true to those conversations and your convictions."

Herrera opted not to run for re-election, and his successor Kevin Vandenberg won his seat in an uncontested race. When it came time for Vandenberg to replace Herrera at the dais, Herrera said, "Mr. Vandenberg, I think you'll do a fantastic job representing the city of Reno."

# Ta-ta for now, Tootie

## Longtime Springtown ISD school board member honored for her service

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Outgoing Springtown Independent School District board of trustees member Elizabeth "Tootie" Hall stepped down from her position on the dais May 20 and was met with recognition from the school board and district. Superintendent Shane Strickland presented Hall, who Strickland described as having "a wealth of knowledge," with a plaque in honor of her years of service (16 in total) on the board. Hall then received a standing ovation from trustees and staff.



## Azle 2024 Graduation



David Olson  
Azle High School

Parents' names:  
David and Renee Olson

Favorite teacher:  
Ms. Hutton

Favorite subject: Math

Plans after graduation: I'm going to Lineman College.

You call that noise music?...I'll tell you why, because I said so!... What? Do you think I'm made of money?...You're always a winner if you win with a smile...If 'ifs' and 'buts' were candy and nuts then wed all have a Merry Christmas!... 'Hey' is for horses!



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**All entries must be received by 5 PM on Monday, June 10**

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# Learning English as a second language seems close to impossible

We are fortunate to have a young woman working in our office who relocated to Texas last year from the Ukraine. She and her family were minding their own business and living a happy life when suddenly they found themselves and their country under siege from invading Russian forces. She taught at a university and prior to the start of the war never considered living anywhere else but her homeland. To make a long story short, the young woman and her family made their way to the United States, and she is now working at the newspaper. She is very smart and a good worker, but understandably has a few struggles with speaking English.

Let me be clear, Oksana's English is pretty darn good



## 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.

for someone who has had to totally immerse themselves in a vastly different foreign language. She is conversive and does a much better job speaking English than I would be speaking Ukrainian after such a short time. I admire that she works at her language skills and wants to be the best she can be. Oksana's language journey got me to thinking how hard I would have it if I were in a similar situation. Have you ever imagined trying to learn

English as a second language? Think of the challenges:

Change can mean "to alter" or it can be the money you get back after you make a purchase.

Fall is what happens if you do not watch where you are going, or it could be a season of the year.

Light can help you see in the dark or it can make fireworks explode.

Lead means to go to the front or it is a heavy metal.

Wind is a gust of air, or it is

what you do to an old clock.

A dove is a bird related to a pigeon, but dove is what you did in the pool last summer.

A minute is 60 seconds, but something minute is very tiny.

But wait, there are more issues to confuse a beginner. Then there are homophones; words that have the same sound as another but are spelled differently.

The horse trainer was hoarse from calling out commands all day.

The savings from the ads add up over time.

We could all see the ship sinking into the sea.

The crews on the cruise ship worked hard to make sure everyone enjoyed their experience.

If that isn't enough to confuse any linguist, then

there are negatives without positives:

"Inert" means lacking any chemical reactions. There is no "ert" to indicate the opposite.

"Inhibit" means to prevent or discourage from doing something. There is no "hibit."

There are a number of disgruntled people, but you will never meet a "gruntled" person.

Then there are contronyms, which are words that have two contradictory meanings such as:

Bill, a payment or an invoice for payment.

Custom, a common practice or a special treatment.

Dust, to add fine particles or to remove them.

Fast could mean either

quick or stable.

Overlook is to supervise, or it can be to neglect.

Trim: to decorate or to discard something

Poor Oksana. Trying to learn all the idiosyncrasies of the English language must be a tremendous challenge.

To make things worse, she has settled in Texas, so she is going to have to learn two new languages: English and Texican. I reckon y'all can appreciate anyone fixin' to accept that challenge. God bless her heart!

Thought for the day:

"England and America are two countries divided by the same language." — George Bernard Shaw

Until next time...I will keep ridin' the storm out!

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# The Tri-County opportunity

My wife, Daniele, and I have two sons, Nathaniel and Jonathan. Both began at Silver Creek Elementary School and remained in Azle ISD through high school, graduating in 2010 and 2012.

They had a tremendous experience in the Azle schools, and we were allowed to be a part of the experience, from volunteering to read at Silver Creek to cheering from the stands in high school.

Seeing recent posts of high school graduates, mostly by parents, reminds me of the developed pride we have in our schools and community.

I first came to live in Azle a few days after graduating from Auburn University in the summer of 1985. My beloved, yellow 1971 Volkswagen Bug struggled through the 750-mile trip, requiring me to push start it



## HOPE MATTERS

By David Shaffer

Dr. David Shaffer and his wife, Daniele, are Azle-area residents. David is the director of Son Shine Ministries (equipfamilies.org) and serves on the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and is a Chamber Ambassador (azlechamber.com). david@equipfamilies.org | 817-444-3777

the entire trek.

What I found to be true then continues today: If you are willing to take part in local activities, the Azle community will gladly incorporate you into its life. Most people here are welcoming.

What a wonderful attribute for a small city! I am thankful to call Azle my home. I have an Azle focus, and I love this community.

When the "Azle News" decided to cover a broader area incorporating Parker, Wise

and Tarrant counties, I was candidly a bit sad to see the paper's name change. Soon, however, "The Tri-County Reporter" was making me aware of news in neighboring communities, and the stories were, of course, quite similar to what was taking place in Azle.

I found myself genuinely interested in what was happening with Springtown, Reno, Weatherford, Decatur, Boyd and others close to home. The news about Azle also continues to be thor-

ough. The paper's content has simply increased.

When I read last week, for example, that the Springtown High School baseball team had advanced deeper in the post season than any Springtown baseball team before them, I was excited for my neighbor!

Of course, I remember the rivalries from when our boys played sports for Azle. In a sense, our local schools, perhaps even whole communities, are a bit like siblings. We are related, and we have long-established healthy rivalries. Comedian George Burns quipped, "Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family ... in another city."

We may kid each other from time to time, but if someone unrelated tries to insult those close to us, we

will quickly defend them.

Prolific author James Patterson captures the unique relationship of siblings in his line, "Half the time when brothers wrestle, it's just an excuse to hug each other."

The National Day of Prayer in Azle earlier this month brought together more than 200 people. What a beautiful time! (If you were not able to make it this year, you are invited to attend next year's event May 1.) A special part of that day was that dozens from the communities around Azle attended, including eight Springtown pastors.

Supporting our neighboring communities by taking an interest in them, visiting their businesses and engaging with the residents enriches our lives.

When I was a kid, I enjoyed

watching underwater films made by French oceanographer Jacques Yves Cousteau. He was an expert in his field, but he also used his platform to discuss matters of hope for the future. He typically would include a simple closing comment to his television audience about what the oceans teach us about unity.

In an often-contentious environment, I appreciate Cousteau's reminder that, "However fragmented the world, however intense the national rivalries, it is an inexorable fact that we become more interdependent every day."

Simply put, we need each other. Thank you, "Tri-County Reporter," for expanding our appreciation of those in our larger community.

# Walnut Creek SUD awards bids on water plant expansion, distribution system

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SPRINGTOWN — Walnut Creek Special Utility District Board of Directors approved bids on two more infrastructure projects included in last year's bond package.

Last fall, the district received just under \$40 million to improve water infrastructure for its customers. Since then, the SUD's board has been putting out projects for

bid and starting construction.

On May 20, the board awarded the surface water treatment plant expansion project to Gracon Construction for just under \$4.3 million. Two new filters will be added to the treatment plant, which will give the district an additional 4 million gallons per day treatment capacity. Board members also approved upgrading water lines between the Keeter elevated storage tank

and Jay Bird booster pump station, and that project was assigned to NAE Contracting for about \$6.5 million. The major water line distribution system project will involve the installation of about 45,000 feet of water line from the Keeter elevated storage tank to the Jay Bird booster pump station.

"That's by far the biggest water distribution system you have," engineer Bill Lohrke said during the

meeting.

SUD general manager James Blackwood said the water line distribution system project turned out to be more expensive than the amount that was originally projected, but the price is still within the overall budget of the bond.

Later during the meeting, Lohrke gave updates on other bond projects. He said the 2-million-gallon ground storage tank at the water treat-

ment plant, the 1-million-gallon ground storage tank at the Farm-to-Market Road 920 booster pump station, the 500,000-gallon ground storage tank on FM 51, the FM 51 booster pump station and the FM 920 booster pump station were all under construction. This summer, the district is expected to seek bids on building an elevated water storage tank, adding eight- and 10-inch water lines to the Three Skillet area west

of Springtown and installing a 12-inch water line on FM 2257 from Jay Bird Lane to FM 730. A project to connect the elevated storage tank on FM 51 with the new booster pump station is also expected to get done this summer.

Lohrke said all bond projects are supposed to be under construction this year, and most will be completed by early next year.

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

# Let's celebrate!

## BY JACKIE "JJ" JOY

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

There has been a lot of celebrating at the Azle Adult Activity Center this month. Starting with Mother's Day, after special poetry reading, all mothers were recognized and presented a gift from the center.

Our tradition is also to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries each month. Cake and ice cream was provided by Greg Runnebaugh of Mutual of Omaha. The monthly gift went to Maggie Helenski.

On the Friday before Veteran's Day, there was a special program provided by

the Silver Sisters. Participants of our center identified 24 veterans who were family members or friends they wanted honored for their military service. The Silver Sisters read each name and the information provided about their service.

There were a couple of special displays provided by Earlene Gardner and Jackie Joy. Earlene brought items from a friend who was a WAC in WW II. There were items from military issued make-up to instruction books. One of her duties was to teach pilots to fly under the radar.

Jackie brought items

her daddy had from Occupational Japan. There was a Samurai sword, a battle sword, a Japanese flag taken off a ship in harbor and his medals in a shadow box.

Following lunch, the Silver Sisters did a special program of music and dance from the WW II era. Dressed in military costumes, they lead the pledge and even had Joe Thompson in the front so they could sing to him. Joe really enjoyed the attention and felt blessed to be honored for his time in service. Moving around the room, those in attendance were pulled into participate in the excitement.

Every day is a celebration of life and friendship at the Azle Adult Activity Center. Located at 601 Southeast Parkway in Ash Creek Park, we love seeing our "seasoned" adults. With the availability of activities and meals,

it is a great opportunity to meet with old friends and make new friends.

Coming in June is our annual Open House/Indoor Patio Sale. On Friday, June 7, for those who have never been to our facility, it is a great opportunity for a tour and to learn what we have to offer.

Also, there will be some company representatives here to offer information that will help our community of adults. Members of the Azle Fire Department will be here to check blood pressures and answer questions.

Helping Restore Ability is another group planning to be here to offer their services. There will be others you will not want to miss.

The Azle Adult Activity Center serves meals Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. To reserve a meal, please call 817-444-0070 by 9:30 a.m.



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**On the Friday before Veteran's Day, there was a special program provided by the Silver Sisters.**

the day before you plan to come. All adults 60 years old and up are welcome and en-

couraged to join us. Come see us soon.

# Azle ISD recognizes retirees, awardees

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**AZLE** — At the end of the 2023-2024 school year, Azle ISD saw 37 teachers, administrators and other staff retire. The district recognized these individuals along with other awardees at a second annual ceremony and luncheon held at the Azle Administration Building May 21. Retirees and select quotes are listed below.

**2023-24 RETIREES**

- Eddie Alford
- Demilla Autry
- Teresa Bagwell
- Brandy Baugus
- Beck
- Kathleen Carpenter
- Jamie Carroll
- Amy Cass
- Janine Doyle
- Lisa Deann Dunaway
- Michele Dunham
- Diane Eversole
- Tamara Foster
- Cheryl Frost
- Leila Golden-May
- Laura Hamm
- Sonny Hill
- Donita John
- Pamela Jungman
- Mark Kehoe
- Gina Lee
- Anita Linch
- Susan McDonald
- Teresa Moore
- Paula Parrish
- Sharon Pelham
- Letiza Quezada
- Connie Richards
- Joseph Richards
- Becky Spurlock
- Rhonda Staudt
- Steven Stutsman
- Dee Suratt
- Beth Trammel
- Denise Tyler
- Penny Weeks
- Ernest White

One mainstay and instrumental force in the Azle High School science department is Pamela Jungman. Jungman has been an educator for 42 years, 34 of which were at Azle ISD. Formerly a chemistry teacher, Jungman then became a science instructional coach for the district. Director of Federal Programs and Research Jordan Thiem spoke about his experiences with Jungman and the legacy she will leave for many AHS teachers.

“The first year that I actually came here to Azle, I came into the science department and Dr. J was a mama bear for the science department,” Thiem said. “She took me under her wing and made sure I was taken care of. She’s done

that for countless educators. Then I got to meet her as a department head and got to see what she was doing. Not only was she teaching students, but the students that she taught gained a love for science and they became teachers at Azle ISD, and she actually was a leader for them as well. Then as we started our instructional coach program Dr. J actually took that and she became our first secondary science coach where she just continued to do what she did. She grew teachers, she loved on kids, and she made sure everybody was responsible in what they were doing. She not only took science under its wing but now she was actually an integral part of the new science wing that is there at the high school — she helped design it. She kept programming together and she made sure that every single one of those teachers had exactly what they need to be successful. I think that’s what Dr. J’s done her entire life. Those that have been around her have been affected by her. She’s given a love for science, and she continues to do that now.”

Dee Suratt is another long-time Azle teacher retiring this year. She has worked in education for 27 years, all of which were at Azle ISD. Suratt currently works at Silver Creek Elementary, where Principal Aubri Deheck said she has taken on many roles throughout the years.

“She has worn several hats during her time in Azle,” Deheck said. “Some of those hats include ‘bus bouncer Dee’ where she had to pull kids off of each other during a fight; ‘kid chaser Dee’ where she once had to literally go in the woods behind the high school to locate some missing students; ‘snake wrangler Dee’ where she had to get a rattlesnake off the recess grounds because the kindergartners were out there during recess; ‘doctor Dee’ where she has stopped the bleeding on a child’s cut-open head, and she has successfully given the Heimlich maneuver two times; ‘lunch helper Dee’ where she’s paid for countless numbers of students’ outstanding lunch balances; ‘G’ where she serves as the actual grandma of two of her own but also thousands that aren’t her own who she loves the same. She is also known

as ‘Mary Poppins Dee’ where she has the best everything drawer in all of 76020 — if you need it she’s got it. I think the best hat she’s worn this year is ‘game warden Dee.’ One morning a deer was struck in front of our school in front of (Farm-to-Market Road) 730 (South) right before school was starting and the entrance to our school was actually closed off by the deer so Dee went out and literally moved the deer into the ditch so that our families could enter the school. Other than one leg coming off of the deer during the move, she did successfully get the deer out of the way so that the families and children didn’t have to see this deer and could enter the building and drop their kids off. There are not enough hooks in the world to hold all the hats that Dee has worn during her time in Azle. We appreciate you so much, we will miss you, thank you for all you’ve done.”

Along with farewells, campuses and the district also recognized Teachers of the Year. Each campus’ Teacher of the Year received a \$500 check from the Azle Education Foundation and the primary and secondary district Teachers of the Year received an additional \$1,000 and will represent Azle at a future Education Service Center Region 11 conference.

Joanna Reasoner was named district’s primary Teacher of the Year. Reasoner is an Azle graduate who has taught for 16 years at Eagle Heights Elementary. She was thanked by Eagle Heights Elementary Principal Shelly Newton who stood by her side while Reasoner accepted her award and check. Newton recalled a fun fact that further exemplified the teacher’s connection to the district and her principal, saying Reasoner was one of Newton’s fourth grade students at Silver Creek Elementary and Reasoner’s grandmother was Newton’s first-grade teacher.

Amy Hinkle was named the district’s Teacher of the Year. This is her seventh year teaching at Forte Junior High School. Forte Principal William Manley stood alongside Hinkle and spoke about her contributions to the school as an eighth grade U.S. history teacher.

“What’s unique about Ms. Hinkle is that she is a very nontraditional teacher,” Manley said. “If you go in there, you’re going to see all the things that we want to see in 2024 in a classroom, she’s doing it with her kids. She’s pushing out learning onto them, a lot of collaboration, she’s facilitating their excellence. She’s also a life-long learner. She has applied for grants where she gets a (American Revolutionary War) traveling trunk that comes to her classroom every year. You’ll often see her dressed up as some historical figure when she’s teaching and this year, she’s going to two trainings that she’s been accepted to travel out of state to further her education as part of U.S. history.”

Individual campus Teachers of the Year were also named for the districts seven elementary schools, two junior highs and one high school. Recipients are listed below.

**CAMPUS TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**

- Azle High School — Neil Corbett
- Azle Junior High — Jeff Sullivan
- Forte Junior High — Amy Hinkle
- Azle Elementary — Dora McDonald
- Hoover Elementary — Elizabeth Bent
- Cross Timbers Elementary — Kandi Hawkins
- Eagle Heights Elementary — Joanna Reasoner
- Hilltop Elementary — Krista Hopkins
- Liberty Elementary — Brandy Mazza
- Silver Creek Elementary — Kacie Krneta
- Walnut Creek Elementary — Kyndal Crawford

**HEART OF AZLE**

The Heart of Azle is awarded to educators, staff and administrators who go above and beyond to take care of students, staff and community. Heart of Azle recipients were recognized and awarded \$50 along with other gifts from the Educational Employees Credit Union. Winners of the 2024 Heart of Azle Award are listed below.

- Amy Yelle
- Aubri Deheck
- Becky Spurlock
- David Doyle
- Denise Fuller

- Jill Lormand
- Keri Dorris
- Lacy Iglesias
- Stephen Smith
- Teresa Bagwell

Principal Stephen Garretson of Walnut Creek Elementary spoke on awardee and retiree Teresa Bagwell’s impact on him throughout their time together.

“The last few years I’ve really got to know Teresa, we are very much alike in a lot of ways,” Garretson said. “We

are kindred spirits and we read each other’s thoughts. She’s been my confidant, my friend the person that listens to me and then provides advice, and Walnut Creek will not be the same without her. I’ll tell you that she has taken care of countless students who she wasn’t even responsible for, and she still took care of them. For that we appreciate you and wish you the best as you take care of those two grandbabies.”



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From left to right, Principal Aubri Deheck hugs a school bus driver and Silver Creek special education teacher of 26 years, referred to only as Beck. “Funny story about Beck, it was her first-year teaching as well as Jackie Spencer’s first hour as principal at Silver Creek,” Deheck said. “In that 60 minutes of Jackie being on campus Beck had to go down to the principal’s office to self-report. In an attempt to show her students an engaging virtual tour of the white house on her computer, she clicked the wrong link, and it turns out WhiteHouse.com is absolutely not the correct website to tour the White House, I’ll leave it at that.”



From left to right, Dr. Pamela Jungman and Jordan Thiem.

# Azle man killed after striking 18-wheeler near Paradise

**STAFF REPORTS**

**PARADISE** — According to reports from the Wise County Messenger’s Austin Jackson and the Texas Department of Public Safety, a fatal crash happened at an intersection near Paradise, on the afternoon of May 21.

Mandy Hays, Wise County Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace, pronounced 70-year-old Azle resident William Wyatt dead on the scene. A 2005 Freightliner, driven by Nathan Eduardo Gomez of Venus, collided with Wyatt’s 1999 Pontiac Bonneville af-

ter he attempted to turn left onto Texas 114 from Farm-to-Market Road 51.

DPS’s preliminary investigation concluded that Wyatt had failed to yield the right-of-way just before the crash. Gomez was not injured in the wreck. Paradise firefighters

from Wise County Emergency Services District 3 and medics from Wise County Emergency Medical Services were among the first responders to work the wreck. This portion of Texas 114 was shut down for roughly three hours following the incident.

According to the Texas Department of Transportation’s Crash Records Information System, 918 people were killed in the state in crashes where at least one party failed yield the right-of-way last year. Failure to yield is one of the leading

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# Adult & Teen Challenge hosts “Shine Like Stars” banquet

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**AZLE** — The Adult & Teen Challenge of Texas Azle Men’s Center hosted its annual gala and auction Thursday, May 16. At the event, representatives from the organization spoke about its reach and impact, introducing testimonials from those who had benefited from the

program. The Adult & Teen Challenge is a nonprofit addiction rehabilitation center and Christian discipleship. Along with a men’s campus in Azle, the organization also has several other men’s and women’s campuses throughout the state and several sites dedicated to at-risk youths.

Dr. George Thomas, who has served as president of Adult & Teen Challenge in

Texas for the last 15 years, spoke at the gala and reported that the organization had admitted 551 adults and juveniles across its 13 campuses in 2023. It has admitted more than 170 people in the first four months of 2024.

In 2019, Evangel University’s Center for Compassion partnered with the nonprofit to release a study on the recidivism of



Pastor Jim Martin of Victory Christian Center hugging Quincy McClean, right.



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**Abraham Muzquiz, a student of the Adult & Teen Challenge program who also organized much of the event, spoke alongside his sponsor Johnny Adams. “When I first got into this program, I felt unwanted and just alone,” Muzquiz said. “The enemy had separated me and my family, and it made me in a dark place. The second day I was in the program I realized what I had done. (Adams) helps me out a lot. The little things that he does as a sponsor like bringing me candy, coming to church, it’s a lot — it motivates me to be in the program. It motivates me to get better. This program is awesome but the people that God puts us with in this program is a blessing. It’s one of the things I’m grateful for to get better.”** From left, Ambrosen, Muzquiz and Adams.



**Oftentimes homeless and sleeping in the woods, Zack Crawford tried to take his own life after pushing away his family with heavy substance abuse and theft. Crawford eventually found the help and change he needed in Azle’s Adult & Teen Challenge to overcome his addiction and reunite with his family. “When I showed up to Teen Challenge, I lied to whoever was in intake about my drug use,” Crawford said. “I was high the day I showed up. I remember they fed me goulash and I was going to try to extend the way I felt a little longer, but the goulash made me go to sleep. When I woke up, I realized all those feelings I had been suppressing through drugs and alcohol. It hit me like a brick. I chose Teen Challenge because it’s so far away from home. I couldn’t run back home.”** Crawford is pictured with his wife and daughter, and has another child on the way.

the program’s students. The study showed that 78% of graduates from Adult & Teen Challenge centers remained sober and substance-free up to two years after graduation.

“Addiction, at least in our definition, is a worship disorder,” Thomas said. “We become addicted to what we worship and if we worship our way into a mess we have to worship our way out of it. In the Old Testament it took God one day to free the Israelites out of Egypt, but it took more than 40 years to get Egypt out of each one of them, so it takes time. Our students spend a minimum of a year taking off their old ways and habits and putting on new ones and learning how to acclimate to living a life led by Christ and that happens with good staff and good older brothers around you over the course of time.”

According to the Center for Disease Control and the National Center for Health Statistics, 13% of individuals age 12 and over in the U.S. have used an illicit drug in the past 30 days.

“If you do the math, it’s millions of people,” Thomas said referencing these figures. “This translates to around 71,000 drug overdose deaths a year. Adults who have had at least one heavy drinking day in the last year is at 25% of the population and the related deaths to that is hundreds of thousands.”

Over the last 15 years, the program graduated 1,700 students, Thomas said. Azle Men’s Director Greg Ambrosen addressed the crowd as well, and Dr. Marti Williams, co-interim senior pastor at Bethesda Community Church, led the

ceremony’s invocation.

“I truly have the most amazing job,” Ambrosen said choking back tears. “It’s not work. When you see what God can do in the life of another human being and to be a part of it is more than I can even explain.”

The rest of the gala largely consisted of musical performances from a live band and a choir composed of the campus’ students as well as testimonials from graduates of the program. Steve Burgin, Abraham Muzquiz, Quincy McClean and Zack Crawford all spoke about the impact the Azle campus has had on their lives and recovery from substance abuse.

Growing up, McClean was highly involved in church, since his mother is a pastor. After his father left at a young age, McClean was exposed to drugs by an uncle who was also at the church.

“I would wake up inside of a car, doors locked, scared for my life, not knowing where I was and meanwhile, he’s inside a drug house getting his dope,” McClean said of a childhood experience where he was kidnapped for days at a time. “I was alone, and I needed to take care of myself.”

McClean started to use drugs at age 12 as a form of escapism and later found that playing football helped numb the pain. With college recruiters scouting him in high school, McClean was unable to pursue higher education when he had his first child at 17. He would have two more at 18 and ultimately dropped out of school, leading him to spiral into more frequent drug use.

“I was seeking out attention

in drug dealers,” McClean said. “I was seeking out attention in people that had money. That led to distributing and letting my family down.”

Wanting to do better for his kids, McClean checked into the Azle branch of the Adult & Teen Challenge in April 2023.

“I needed a fresh start,” McClean said. “I started to see myself change as soon as I got there on campus because I came in knowing what I needed to do. The process of Adult Teen & Challenge — it taught me sometimes you have to sit still. I didn’t know how to love myself, my kids or my family.”

Turning his life around while in the program, McClean said now his kids are proud of him and he is grateful for another chance at life. During the ceremony, McClean was presented with a certificate of completion and announced he is looking to pursue a career in law enforcement.

Some of McClean’s most motivational realizations came while discussing his problems with fellow students and Adult & Teen Challenge staff between jobs in the organization’s work truck.

“There’s just something that happens in those kinds of conversations that just can’t happen inside an office behind a desk,” Cody Joplin, program coordinator at Adult & Teen Challenge of Texas, Azle Men’s Center said.

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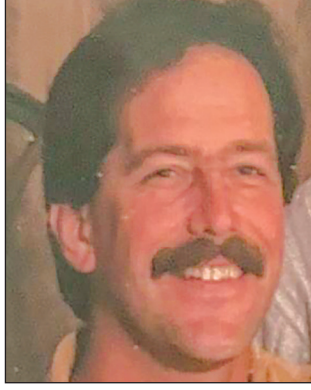
John Joseph Robertson Jr., 62, passed away Monday, May 20, 2024, in Fort Worth.

He was born Aug. 26, 1961, in Altadena, California to John Joseph Robertson Sr. and Margaret Mary (Reilly) Robertson.

John's educational journey took him from Saluda High School, where he graduated in '79, to Appalachian State University. There, he earned a bachelors degree in science and an undergraduate degree in broadcasting with dean's list honors.

His professional path led him to a long and prosperous career as a senior account manager at Milliken Textile Company, where he dedicated 35 years before retiring. John, an avid reader, immersed himself in the pages of history books.

His passion extended beyond the written word — politics and football stirred his soul. Yet, above all, John adored his family. His sons, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren brought immeasurable joy to his days. The loyal companionship of his dogs warmed his heart, and he cherished their unwavering presence.



With spirited enthusiasm, he'd often cheer, "Go Gamecocks!"

John is survived by his father, John Sr., and wife, Peggy; sons, David Duke and wife Amber, Nick Duke, Michael Robertson, Garret Robertson; children's mother, Lisa Robertson; brothers, Michael Robertson and Thomas Robertson; sisters, Margaret Robertson and Patrice Robertson; grandchildren, Kirsten, Aiden, Brenin, Lukas, Calyn, Elexa, and Jensis; great-grandchild, Jonathan. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

The Tri-County Reporter, Thursday May 28, 2024

## Bobby D. Eason 1939-2024

Bobby D. Eason, 84, of Bridgeport, passed away May 21, 2024, in Decatur.

Bobby was a longtime resident of Azle, Boyd and Briar. More details about a memorial service are pending.

The Tri-County Reporter, Thursday May 28, 2024



## Williams Electric presents new generator to Springtown PD

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In honor of National Police Week May 12-18, Springtown electrical contractor Williams Electric Co. replaced Springtown Police Department's generator, which allows the first responders to operate during power outages, for free with the help of its sponsors. The department had the old generator for at least 11 years. Deputy Chief Jamie Oliver previously described the generator as "barely alive" and said there have been issues with it in the past. Pictured in the photo is Bill Williams (Williams Electric Co.), Clinton Sommerville (Williams Electric Co.), Clint Williams (Higginbotham Brothers), Mayor Greg Hood, Oliver, Ryan Woods (CED Miller) and City Administrator David Miller. Bill Williams said, "More donations are welcome to help cover the cost of the generator." Donations are never too late. To continue donating, contact Williams Electric Co. at 817-523-5353 or by email at bill@williamselectriccompany.net.



## Westbrook Pest Control

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the press release. "Originally, he said he came home and went to sleep. Then he said he came home and watched T.V. then fell asleep. Later, he said he was watching T.V. with the victim then fell asleep. Finally, he said he was cuddling with the victim, watching T.V., then went to sleep. We felt his hiding important details was in-

dicative of his consciousness of guilt. Eventually, he admitted that he made a mistake, but he would never actually come out and admit what he had done."

It took jurors almost an hour to decide on a guilty verdict, according to the press release.

When deciding punishment, Assistant District Attorney Al Charanza asked jurors for a lengthy sentence, according to the press re-

lease, because the victim will likely carry the trauma of being sexually assaulted for the rest of her life.

"Despite the fact that this was a strong case, our victim had to take the witness stand and tell our jury how the defendant repeatedly molested her," Swain said in the press release. "She was proud to have stood up for herself, and we were very proud of her. This jury's decision demonstrates yet

again the firm stand that Parker County has long taken against pedophiles who would prey on our children."

According to Parker County Sheriff's Office public information officer Danie Huffman, Sanchez has declined an interview with The Tri-County Reporter and did not release a statement. The Tri-County Reporter reached out to Sanchez's lawyer for comment on Friday but hasn't received a response yet.

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# 'Bike and Roll'

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AZLE — Azle Elementary students had fast fun and a police escort on their way to school the morning of May 17. For National Motorcycle and Bicycle Safety Month, the City of Azle and Azle Elementary partnered together to give students an exhilarating end of the year treat.

Azle Municipal Court staff, police and firefighters organized the event and offered an escort from the Azle Fire Department, 900 Lakeview Drive, to Azle Elementary, located at 1200 Lakeview Drive. "A lot of the schools in different counties, cities and states are doing the National Ride Your Bike to School Day which is called the Bike and Roll," court clerk Karstin

## Azle Elementary students bike together for city event

Courtney said. "It's pretty well known in other states, but this is our first year. Felicia (King, court administrator) told me to get online and look at some stuff and we just put it together in like a week or two."

For 0.4 miles, students biked, scooted and walked along Lakeview Drive just after 7 a.m. Azle ISD Police Chief Darren Brockway hopes to hold a longer event next year.

"We've got more kids with all the new housing developments," Brockway said. "It's nice to put a bike safety thing out there. Felicia did a bang-up job with this."

Students who finished the ride said they enjoyed the experience and hope to bike to school more often in the future.

"I had so much fun," fifth grader Kayli Fordinal said. "I absolutely loved this. It was my first time riding a bike to school and I did it with my best friend and I'm very happy."

"I had fun," Bella Pelt added. "I got to bike with my bestie."

At the end of the journey, city officials raffled off two bikes donated by the Azle Walmart to lucky students: Elizabeth Scott and Jonathan Elizalde.



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Azle Elementary fifth and sixth graders start their journey from Azle's Central Station 52.



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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

1st Advertisement - May 23, 2024 2nd Advertisement - May 30, 2024 Project No.: 537-101  
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### THE STATE OF TEXAS CITATION PUBLICATION CAUSE NO. 22P409

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIE FALMA FULFORD, JR., DECEASED  
 TO: Sarah Anderson, Lisa Ann Wilson, and Personal Representative -Estate of Kandy Smith Cecil Wise, filed a Final Account in a proceeding styled In the Matter of the Estate of Willie Falma Fulford, Jr., Deceased, on 10th day of April, 2024, and bearing the Cause Number 22P409, in the County Court of Parker County, Texas. Said written contest or answer shall be filed in the office of the County Clerk of Parker County in Weatherford, Texas no later than the Monday following the 10th day after this Citation for Publication is published. You are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to the Application before the above stated time and date should you desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, any objection, intervention, or response must be filed in writing with the County Clerk of Parker County, Texas, on or before the above-noted date and time. Given under my hand and seal of said court of Parker County, Texas, at the office of the Parker County Clerk in Weatherford, Texas this on this the 22rd day of May, 2024. Lila Deakle County Clerk Parker County, Texas By Sharon Hall, Deputy Clerk ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT Jennifer S. Ruelas 1020 Fort Worth HWY STE 500 Weatherford TX 76086 817-609-8935

City of Reno will have plat proposal for Tower Rd, Springtown, Texas 76082. Cottonwood Branch Ranchettes Lot 7 Block 1 (7R1 and 7R2) . Special P&Z meeting will be on June 10, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Council Meeting will be June 17, 2024, at 7PM

City of Reno will have plat proposal for address 398 Pugh Drive, Azle, Texas 76020. Walnut Creek Estates, Lots 1, 2, and X. Special P&Z meeting will be on June 10, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Council Meeting will be June 17, 2024, at 7PM

City of Reno will have plat proposal in City of Reno's ETJ address 1411 Knob Hill Road (New Hope Addition), Abstract No. 708 (Lots 1-6, Block 1; Lots 1-14, Block 2; Lots 1-25, Block 3). Special P&Z meeting will be on June 10, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Council Meeting will be June 17, 2024, at 7PM

City of Reno will have plat proposal for Walnut Creek Estates containing Block 1-13 (310 Residential Lots) including Abstract Numbers 1942, 1421, 2123, 1636, 523, 1612 1377, and 338 (Parker County, Texas). Special P&Z meeting will be on June 10, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Council Meeting will be June 17, 2024, at 7PM

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Beverly Ann Gates, Deceased, were issued on May 17, 2024, in Cause No. 2023-PR03751-2, pending in the County Court at Law No. 2, Tarrant County, Texas, to: Tara Deanne Barnes. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: William K. Clary PO Box 98 Bridgeport, Texas 76426 DATED the 22 day of April, 2024. William K. Clary Attorney for Tara Deanne Barnes State Bar No.: 04325500 P. O. Box 98 Bridgeport, Texas 76426 Telephone: (940) 683-6722 Facsimile: (940) 683-4029 E-mail: [clarylaw@embarqmail.com](mailto:clarylaw@embarqmail.com)

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on May 6, 2024, Laisha Taylor qualified as Independent Executrix without bond, and Letters Testamentary were issued to Laisha Taylor on May 6, 2024 for the Estate of Virgil Ray Tapp a/k/a Ray Tapp, Deceased, in Cause No. 2024-PR01227-2, pending in Probate Court No. 2 of Tarrant County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to the representative's attorney as follows: c/o Tyler A. Harden, Attorney, P.C. 415 W. Main Street Azle, TX 76020 DATED: May 24, 2024



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# Lake Worth 2024 Graduation *Bullfrog Proud!*



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Evan Baerwaldt, valedictorian of Lake Worth class of 2024, decorated his cap to indicate his plans to pursue music at Texas Christian University.



Quindale Slaton playfully spreads his money at the Lake Worth Graduation ceremony Thursday, May 23.



(From left) Amber Angel, David Anaya and Jaime Amaya smile into the applauding crowd at the Lake Worth graduation ceremony.

## *SHS 2024 graduation ceremony includes plenty of Porcupine pride*



SHS valedictorian Kate Mitchell walks to her seat at the start of the commencement ceremony, while salutatorian Gracie Wilk follows her.

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SHS graduating choir students perform at Friday's commencement ceremony.



Followed by their peers, SHS seniors Brittany Butler and Kamryn Cleveland walk into Porcupine Stadium to get their diplomas.



SHS seniors wait for their turn to cross the stage and get their diplomas.



# The new guard

Newly elected officials get sworn-in



Walnut Creek Special Utility District board member Mark Green is sworn in May 15. Also during the meeting, the board reorganized to keep Mike Gilley and Beth Correll as president and secretary, respectively, while Jim Cox was named vice president.



**MADelyn EDWARDS** | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER  
Reno City Council member Joy Jenkins was sworn-in for a new term May 20. Jenkins won her election against challenger Justin Williams earlier this month.



Bill Roesicke raises his right hand and takes his oath of office at the Walnut Creek Special Utility District board of directors meeting May 15. He and Mark Green were elected to the board after the May 4 election.



Newly elected Reno City Council members Kevin Vandenberg and Shelli Swift take their oaths of office May 15. Swift retained her position as mayor pro tem, and Vandenberg picked up the position of deputy mayor pro tem.



**ZACH FREEMAN** | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER  
Merge Community Church Pastor Brandon Geary was sworn in during a May 20 AISD board of trustees meeting. Geary took over Place 4 from retiring board member Ray Lea and was the only new addition to the board. Pictured is Geary leading school staff, families and administration in prayer at a recent retirement and awards ceremony.



Springtown school board trustees Mark Bryant and Cody Bryant get sworn-in for their positions May 20. Mark Bryant ran unopposed for his seat on the board while Cody Bryant beat longtime school board member Tootie Hall in the May 4 election for his spot.

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# Azle ISD elementary schools end year with celebrations

JOEY GARCIA

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AZLE — It was a fun week full of smiles, sweet treats and rewards as Azle ISD elementary school classrooms threw parties to celebrate the end of the school year. Cars filled the parking lots as parents joined the celebrations. Teachers decorated their classrooms festively, served treats and presented awards to honor their students. Many teachers made gift bags filled with toys like bubbles, sand buckets and shovels for their students to take home. The last day of school for the students was Thursday, May 23.



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Silver Creek Elementary School teacher Angela Edmunds gives Henley Hearn an award at the end of the year party.



Walnut Creek Elementary first grade teacher Mrs. Wiss' student with her mother at the end of the year party.



Hoover Elementary School teacher Katrina Yingling with her sixth-grade class.



Silver Creek Elementary second grade teacher Emily Wallace's class show off its awards.



The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing the construction of a northbound exit ramp on SH 199 between Denver Trail and Skylark Drive to provide immediate access to the Texas Health Hospital in Azle, Tarrant County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an in-person public meeting on the proposed project. **The in-person meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Azle ISD Administration Building SWARM Room at 300 Roe St, Azle, TX 76020.** Attendees will be able to view an on-screen presentation, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave written comments.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an online option for individuals who would like to view the presentation, as well as other project materials virtually. **Project documents will become available online at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2024.** To access the public meeting documents, visit [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and enter the keyword search "SH 199 Ramp from Denver Trail to Skylark Drive" in the top right-hand search box at the time indicated above or use the following URL: <https://www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings/fort-worth/2024/sh199-ramp-project.html> If you do not have internet access, you may call (817) 370-3604 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.

TxDOT is proposing the construction of a northbound exit ramp on SH 199 between Denver Trail and Skylark Drive to provide immediate access to the Texas Health Hospital in Azle, Texas. The proposed project will include any improvements to the SH 199 main lanes and frontage roads necessary to accommodate the proposed exit ramp (e.g., deceleration lanes). The goal of this project is to increase safety, enhance mobility, and most importantly improve access to the regional hospital.

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 by appointment** only for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 Southwest Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Project materials are also available online at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), keyword search: "SH 199 Ramp from Denver Trail to Skylark Drive" once they have been prepared.

The virtual or in-person public meeting will be conducted in English. Project materials will be available in English and Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or 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 are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend the public meeting, please contact Matthew Berrones, Environmental Planner at the Fort Worth District, at (817) 370-3604 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Tuesday, May 28, 2024. 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, ATTN: Matthew Berrones, 2501 Southwest Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to [Matthew.Berrones@txdot.gov](mailto:Matthew.Berrones@txdot.gov). All comments must be received or postmarked on or before Thursday, June 20, 2024. Responses to comments received will be available online at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or public meeting, please contact Jennifer Fina-Ontiveros, P.E., SH 199 Ramp Project Manager by phone at (956) 595-1855 or by email at [Jennifer.Fina@txdot.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fina@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.

## City of Azle – Public Notice 2023 Annual Water Quality Report Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

The Annual Water Quality Report, otherwise known as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), is a regulation passed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments. The amendment requires all community water systems to provide their customers with an annual water quality report by July 1st of every year. With the CCR, communities benefit by acquiring a much better understanding of their water suppliers and the processes involved. This allows them an opportunity to make an informed decision regarding the use of their drinking water. The report is a summary of the quality of water the City of Azle provided its customers from January 1st to December 31st, 2023 and it gives the City an opportunity to explain how the community's drinking water supplies are protected.

The report can be viewed on the City of Azle's website at: [2023-Water-Quality-Report \(cityofazle.org\)](http://2023-Water-Quality-Report(cityofazle.org)) You can obtain a paper copy by visiting the Azle City Hall located at 505 West Main Street Building 1, or you can request a paper copy be mailed to you at no cost by calling the Azle Water Treatment Plant at 817-752-2686

## Public Hearing

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# Springtown hosts annual Memorial Day ceremony

Springtown City Council member Ted Martinez attends and speaks at the Memorial Day ceremony Saturday in the park.



Parker County Young Marines present the flags during Springtown's annual Memorial Day ceremony in the park May 25.

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First Baptist Church Associate Pastor John Miller gave the keynote address at Springtown's Memorial Day ceremony last weekend.

## class of 2024

**"Little dreams little things happen; big dreams big things happen."**  
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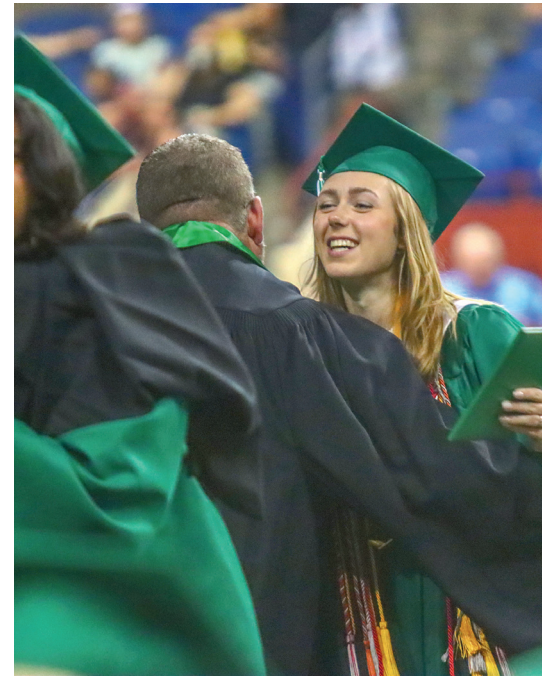


# Hats Off to the Azle Class of 2024



Azle students show they have a lot of heart during graduation.

ZACH FREEMAN | TRI-COUNTY REPORTER



Valedictorian Rebecca Marx hugs Azle staff.



Azle High School saw its largest-ever graduating class this year with 440 students. This year's senior class also had nine sets of twins. To date, Azle students have received \$2.7 million in scholarships. Pictured is graduating senior Nathaniel Hudman.



Azle teachers and staff line up for handshakes and hugs with newly graduated seniors.

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Carson Cox tries to avoid a walk as he stands at the plate.

## SPORTS Roundup

# Pines' best season ever comes to end

RICK MAUCH

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

The Springtown Porcupines enjoyed the best baseball season in school history in 2024. For the first time ever they advanced to a regional semifinals, along with posting a 24-9 record, believed to be the most wins ever for the program.

And for over half their game against Canyon (26-7), a single-game Class 4A Region I semifinal contest, it appeared the Porcupines were on the verge of advancing one more round. However, things fell

### Azle team wins NTHSRA title

apart late as the Eagles came back to register an 8-1 victory and end Springtown's season.

The Porcupines, known for their pitching and defense, were undone by five errors, compared to one for Canyon. Only three of the Eagles' runs were earned.

In a yeoman effort, Porcupines starting pitcher Brayden Fox, in his final outing, struck out 11 in 4.2 innings. He surrendered four hits and only one of the five runs against him was earned.

Fox also collected a team-high two hits as he ended his Springtown career and prepares to move on to play for Angelo State University.

Also in his final game as a Porcupine, Brayden Adams had a hit, walked and drove in his team's lone run for a 1-0 lead that lasted into the bottom of the fifth inning.

Otherwise, the Porcupines matched the Eagles hit-for-hit, with each team getting half a dozen.

"This run has been a blast.

Great group of seniors and kids," Springtown coach Colin Crawford said. "This group has raised the bar and set the standard here with Springtown baseball.

"In the last two years, they have won a district championship for the first time in school history and were co-champs this year. As far as I know the 24 wins this year were also the most wins in school history.

"We had a chance in the Canyon game. It just didn't fall our way late. They have been fun to coach and we have grown close over the

years. I'll miss them."

The Porcupines graduate eight seniors from this season and will return seven varsity players with some valuable experience next season.

"Regardless of who is here or not here, the expectations will not change," Crawford said.

Springtown hitting against Canyon: Fox two hits; Adams one hit, walk, RBI; Ryan Kirk one hit; Yair Hernandez one hit; Trent Solis one hit; Carson Cox walk, hit by pitch; Kyle Litzman hit by pitch.

Pitching vs. Canyon Fox 4.2 innings, four hits, five runs

(one earned), 11 strikeouts, three walks; Caleb Elmore 0.1 innings, two hits, three runs (two earned), one strikeout, one walk, two hit batters; Keegan Martinez 1.0 inning, two strikeouts, one walk, one hit batter.

### RODEO

Azle won the team championship of the North Texas High School Rodeo Association, accumulating 13,615 points over the course of the season that began in the fall of 2023 and

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A student jumps high as she attempts a block.

# Grass bash

JOEY GARCIA

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AZLE — The Azle High School volleyball program held its annual volleyball tournament called Grass Bash, Friday, May 10. Grass Bash is a four versus four, coed, grass volleyball tournament fundraiser to benefit the AHS volleyball team.

"I am very grateful that I have an incredible booster club and a very supportive group of parents in our program that help put it on," head volleyball coach Kenley Buckholt said.

The cost was \$25 per play-

### AHS volleyball team raises money through volleyball tournaments

er and the entry included a tournament T-shirt. This year, there were 55 total teams that included adults, junior high and high school students.

There were four brackets to divide up the teams and each winner of each bracket won a medal. This year, DJ Clubhouse, Frio's Popsicles and Salley's Sweet Ice Cream Truck were all vendors at Grass Bash. According to

Buckholt, Grass Bash is a great way for the volleyball team to grow its exposure toward the community.

"We love that this event is a way for us to connect with our community and grow our sport," Buckholt said. "Plus, more than anything, it is just a ton of fun! It brings people to the game of volleyball and helps our volleyball players connect with other students and people."

# SHS baseball team makes school history

### Season ends in fourth round of playoffs

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SPRINGTOWN — The Springtown High School baseball team had a season for the record books, making it to the fourth round of the playoffs for the first time ever. That season ended Thursday, May 23, when they fell to Canyon 1-8 in Lubbock.

According to head baseball coach Colin Crawford, the team started the season losing three of its first four games. Crawford noted the team never showed any signs of discouragement, nor did he ever have to give a pep talk, they just knew what was expected of them and made the necessary corrections for improvement.

"We're going to get outplayed sometimes, but I don't ever want to get out-competed," Crawford said.

Last year was Crawford's first year as head coach and says the players allowed him to make changes which led to their momentum winning games. He introduced early



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Brayden Fox achieved a team-high two hits as he ended his Springtown career and prepares to move on to play for Angelo State University.

morning workouts in August and claimed they reaped the benefits of that hard work when it came to playoff time.

Crawford has built a culture of trust and open communication with his team. He

says he does not shy away from giving his players the honest criticism he thinks they need to be better, and they trust their coaches and

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# A look into the past

Former Azle and Springtown coach Eddie Weger shares his story

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SPRINGTOWN — Eddie Weger is an 81-year-old Springtown resident who has lived in the Parker County area with his wife since 1973. He coached at Azle Junior High School, Azle High School, Springtown Junior High School and Springtown High School in the 1970s and early 1980s.

Weger is originally from Denison. He played college football for two years at Coffeyville Junior College and two years at Southeastern State Teacher's College in Durant, Oklahoma where he met his wife. At CJC, he won the Merle Brown Memorial Sportsmanship trophy in 1963.

He began his coaching and teaching career in Weleetka, Oklahoma in 1970 where he coached all sports and taught social studies. According to Weger, the town was considered a poverty area, where the population of the school was predominantly Native American and African American. The school was so small, the seventh, eighth, and ninth graders had to combine to have enough players to form teams. In his first year as coach, the basketball team went undefeated.

Weger moved to Azle in 1973 when one of his college football teammates,

Dick Lowry accepted the head coaching job at AHS and invited him to coach there. He started out at AJHS and coached seventh grade sports. Weger remains friends with one of his former junior high student athletes David Jett.

The next year he coached at AHS as an assistant football coach and baseball coach. Weger shared that he and head baseball coach at the time, Mike Harden, laid out the original AHS baseball field.

Weger coached at Brewer High School for one year during the 1975-1976 school year before coaching in Springtown.

He coached at SJHS from 1976-1978 and at SHS from 1978 until he retired from coaching in 1981. During the 1980-1981 school year, the ninth-grade freshman football team went undefeated — Weger coached defensive backs under freshman head coach Ernie Montgomery. Weger admits what he enjoyed most about coaching was winning, but says he genuinely loved sports. He shared about how he would actively be involved in game play during practice — he would run the football with the kids, punt, show them how to block and catch.

Weger said one of his biggest challenges was in his last year of coaching, when



COURTESY PHOTO

Eddie Weger with the 1976 Springtown Junior High School seventh grade basketball team.

he only had 15 kids on the junior varsity football team and the head coach moved three kids to the varsity team. As a result, he had to coach 11-man football with only 12 kids, and they only won one game that entire season. Surprisingly, the season was not a failure because, Weger said, the kids told him it was the first game they had ever won a game since they started playing pee wee football. "I said, 'We've got a winner,'" Weger said. "They were tickled to death because they've never won a ball

game." Weger notes that one of the biggest differences in coaching then versus now is the quality of equipment has improved. Although they did have weights, he said he would get empty gallon food cans from the cafeteria ladies and he and the athletes would build makeshift weights with them by filling the cans with cement and attaching them to polyvinyl chloride pipe. He noted the experience of the kids building their own weights was a fun learning process for

them. He would also get the kids to run with tires tied around their waists. He shared a humorous story about how sometimes the kids would get caught by a telephone pole they had to run around — he would emphasize to the kids that they needed to run widely around the pole but unfortunately it did not always work out. "Every once in a while, you'd look up and one of them would cut it a little short, the tire would wrap around that pole and it would

flip them backwards," Weger said. According to Weger, coaches have it more challenging now because of the societal expectations that are no longer on children the way they once were when kids were expected to be more respectful than they are now. Weger's wife, Diane Weger, taught at AHS for 33 years as a French, English and ESL teacher from 1973-2006. They celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary Memorial Day.

## ROUNDUP

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ran through May 18. They easily outdistanced runner-up Brock with 8,414 and Burkburnett with 7,560. Springtown was fourth with 5,922 points. Azle and Springtown also had some individual championships in the NTHSRA Finals. Hevenly Scribner of Azle won the title in barrel racing. In a tight competition she scored 189 points to defeat the runner-up with 175.

Also from Azle, Andrea Allred led the field in poles with 203 points, edging teammate Scribner with 189. Colton Phillips of Springtown also won in a close race in bull riding, scoring 140 to 126 for second place. Cade Walker of Springtown was the runner-up in steer wrestling. Azle's Laurel Allred finished second in the Girls All-Around competition for the duration of the season behind Paisley Fugate of Burkburnett. Scribner was fifth. Among the boys, Kasen Scarlato of Azle placed fifth.

Laurel Allred was also third in walk-up goat tying in the Finals. Sean Bunero of Azle took third in ribbon roping. Other finishes in their respective events by local competitors included: · Barrels — 14. Kaylee Buchanan, Springtown · Breakaway roping — 7. Paige Bunero, Springtown; 15. Henley Sears, Springtown · Calf roping — 7. Sean Bunero, Azle; 11. Tanner Piller, Springtown · Chute dogging — 5. River Cassel, Azle; 8. Cade Walker, Springtown; 9. Wyatt Allison, Azle; 15. Kasen Scar-

lato, Azle · Goat tying-horse — 7. Laurel Allred; 10. Delaney Harris, Springtown; 11. Andrea Allred; 14. Shaye Winford, Springtown · Goat tying-walk-up — 7. Delaney Harris, Springtown; 10. Andrea Allred, Azle; 12. Shaye Winford, Springtown; 13. Caitlyn Colley, Azle · Poles — 10. Caitlyn Colley, Azle · Ribbon roping — 7. Paige Bunero, Springtown · Team roping — 17. Xavier Reyes, Azle; 18. Kasen Scarlato, Azle

**AZLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BASEBALL**  
Senior Andy Wisniewski of the Crusaders was named the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Division 5 District 1 Utility Player of the Year by coaches. He was also first-team all-district pitcher. Also honored from Azle Christian were: · Senior AJ Rollins, first-team second baseman; · Junior Levi Morrow, first-team catcher; · Sophomore Jakob Rollins, second-team pitcher; · Junior Kelton Schott, sec-

ond-team first baseman; · Junior Justin Barber, second-team outfielder; and · Freshman Nehemiah Crowell, honorable mention outfielder. **GOLF**  
Springtown's Dixie Mae Crain claimed the top spot in both the Girls 13-14 and Girls 13-18 age groups at the North Texas PGA Junior Tour's stop at Mansfield National Golf Club recently. Crain posted rounds of 79 and 78 for a 157 two-day total to win by four strokes. The summer season of the NTPGA Junior Tour just got underway.

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program, win or lose. Crawford gives much credit to the parents for allowing them to push their kids. "It's a tight knit community, it's a competitive community," Crawford said. "I think they trust us; we can coach their kids hard and be honest with them. I don't think you can do that everywhere anymore."

Crawford said he feels his assistant coaches do not get the credit they deserve. He was assisted by coaches Max Boe and Chance Kapps. Crawford explained that exemplifying teamwork among his coaching staff is important to the success of their team. "I don't handcuff those guys at all," Crawford said speaking about his assistant coaches. "I want them to coach, have a voice and have a role. I feel like it's my job

to empower those guys and trust them." "We wouldn't be here without that guy, I can promise you that," Crawford said, speaking of Boe. "I think he gets to play the nice cop ... I can get on to a kid and he can build them back up," Crawford said speaking about Kapps. This year's baseball team had a lot of seniors, two of which will go on to play baseball at the collegiate level. Senior Brayden Fox will

play baseball at Angelo State University in San Angelo where he will study business to open his own training facility in the future. His favorite takeaway from this season is having fun with friends he grew up and played with since t-ball. Senior Carson Cox will play at Wayland Baptist University as a second baseman and will study sports business to become a head baseball coach at a college. His favorite takeaway this season is the


winning tradition they established as a team. Senior Caleb Elmore plans to work at a motorcycle dealership and work his way up in the industry and possibly work for a professional motorcycle racing team. Senior Brayden Adams plans to get his degree in mathematics to become a teacher and a football and baseball coach. Senior Yair Hernandez will study mechanical engineering at Texas Tech.

The phrase "Roll Pines" captures the essence of this year's SHS baseball team's winning spirit. It was coined by senior Hudson Hulett this year at Fox's no hitter against Krum. The term is a play on words from Alabama University's catch phrase "Roll Tide." There's no doubt that the boys on this baseball team have pushed the limits for the Porcupines baseball program and have set the bar high for many years to come.

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# SHS track stars, mathletes get kudos from school board



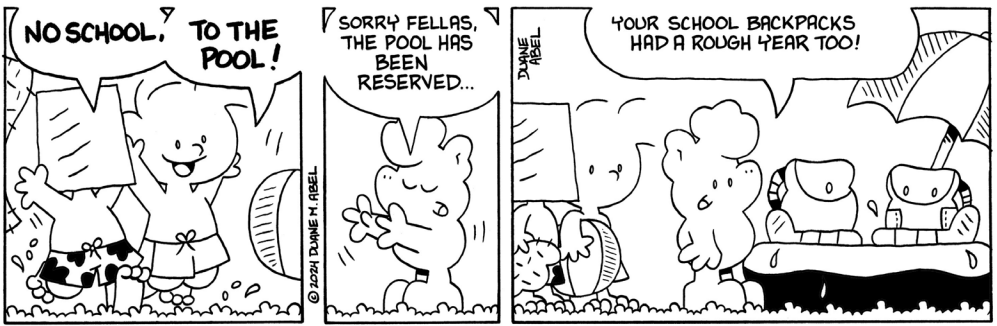
At its May 20 meeting, Springtown Independent School District board of trustees recognized **Mack Flaugher**, who made her third consecutive state appearance in the triple jump, as well as **Brayden Fox, Riley Jackson, Kamryn Cleveland, Braydon Butler and Caden Rodgers** for representing Springtown High School in the state 4x100 and 4x200 relay events and breaking school records.

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Springtown District Academic UIL Director **Andrea Hungerford** hands a certificate to **Trinity Lorasch**, a member of SHS' state UIL-qualifying number sense team, during the school board meeting May 20. **Tyler King, Wesley Wyatt and Chanon Jaruchalemratchan** were also recognized and given certificates.

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### HOMETOWN

# Happenings

## JUNE

- **BLOOD DRIVES: CARTER** BloodCare invites the public to donate blood to help local patients at two upcoming blood drives. The first will be 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. June 2 in the Springtown Church of Christ gym, 316 Church St., Springtown. Contact Debby Looney for more information at 817-523-4419. The next blood drive will be 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. June 14 outside of the Springtown Municipal Annex Building, 200 North Main St. For more information, contact Christina Derr at 817-220-4834.
- **AZLE CHAMBER EVENTS:** AACoC will host its monthly luncheon 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, June 4 at 404 Main St., Azle. Visit AzleChamber.com to register.
- **GAMERS UNPLUGGED: EVERY** Tuesday from 6:30-7:30 p.m., Springtown Public Library invites kids to play board games, card games, any "unplugged" game you like!
- **TEEN MOVIE AFTERNOONS:** 2 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at Springtown Public Library, 626 N. Main St. The library hosts Teen Movie Afternoons once a month. Movies will be rated up to PG-13. Call 817-523-5862 to find out the monthly movie. Snacks will be provided, so bring a drink!
- **MUSIC IN THE PARK:** The City of Azle Special Events Advisory Board presents Music in the Park from 8-10 p.m. every Friday in May and June at Azle Central Park. This week's performer is the Desperado Band, an Eagles tribute band, May 24. Visit the Azle Special Events Facebook page for the full music series lineup.
- **LEGO CLUB: AZLE** Memorial Library hosts Lego Club at 4:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month in the library community room. All ages welcome. Legos provided by the library.
- **COFFEE WITH FIRST RESPONDERS:** Join the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce and Eagle Crest Villa for coffee and conversation with local first responders 8:30-10 a.m. Friday, June 21 at 113 Denver Trail, Azle.
- **MAIN STREET BOOK CLUB:** 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Azle Memorial Library. The book club will meet June 18 to discuss "The Postcard" by Anne Berest. Refreshments will be provided.
- **SUMMERFEST ON THE SQUARE:** Fun summer event featuring live music, vendors, car show, kids' activities and more 2-7 p.m. June 21 on the Square in Springtown. For more information, email info@summerfestonthesquare.com.
- **SPRINGTOWN CHAMBER EVENTS:** SACoC will host its monthly luncheon 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, June 27. Visit springtownchamber.org to register by June 26.
- **GROWING CONNECTIONS: LEGACY** Oaks of Azle hosts a networking breakfast 9-10 a.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at 1364 Southeast Parkway, Azle. This monthly meetup is a chance for professionals to share ideas and promote their businesses with integrity and compassion. RSVPs are appreciated, email Kelly Case crd@legacyoaksazle-sl.com.

## Sudoku

MAY 30, 2024

	5	4			2		8	1
	3			5	1			
2			9	8	4			
	9					8		6
				3			4	7
4	8	6				3		
					3			2
		3	2	1	8		6	
	1		7				3	

Level: Beginner

## Solution to last week's puzzle

MAY 23, 2024

4	8	2	6	5	1	3	9	7
1	7	9	4	8	3	6	5	2
3	6	5	9	2	7	1	4	8
9	2	7	3	6	5	4	8	1
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5	1	3	7	4	8	9	2	6
7	3	8	5	9	6	2	1	4
2	5	1	8	3	4	7	6	9
6	9	4	1	7	2	8	3	5

## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to hamburgers.

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Answer: Ketchup

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Solve the code to discover words related to healthy vision. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 26 = E)

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Clue: Needed for sight

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Clue: One of the five senses

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Clue: Test

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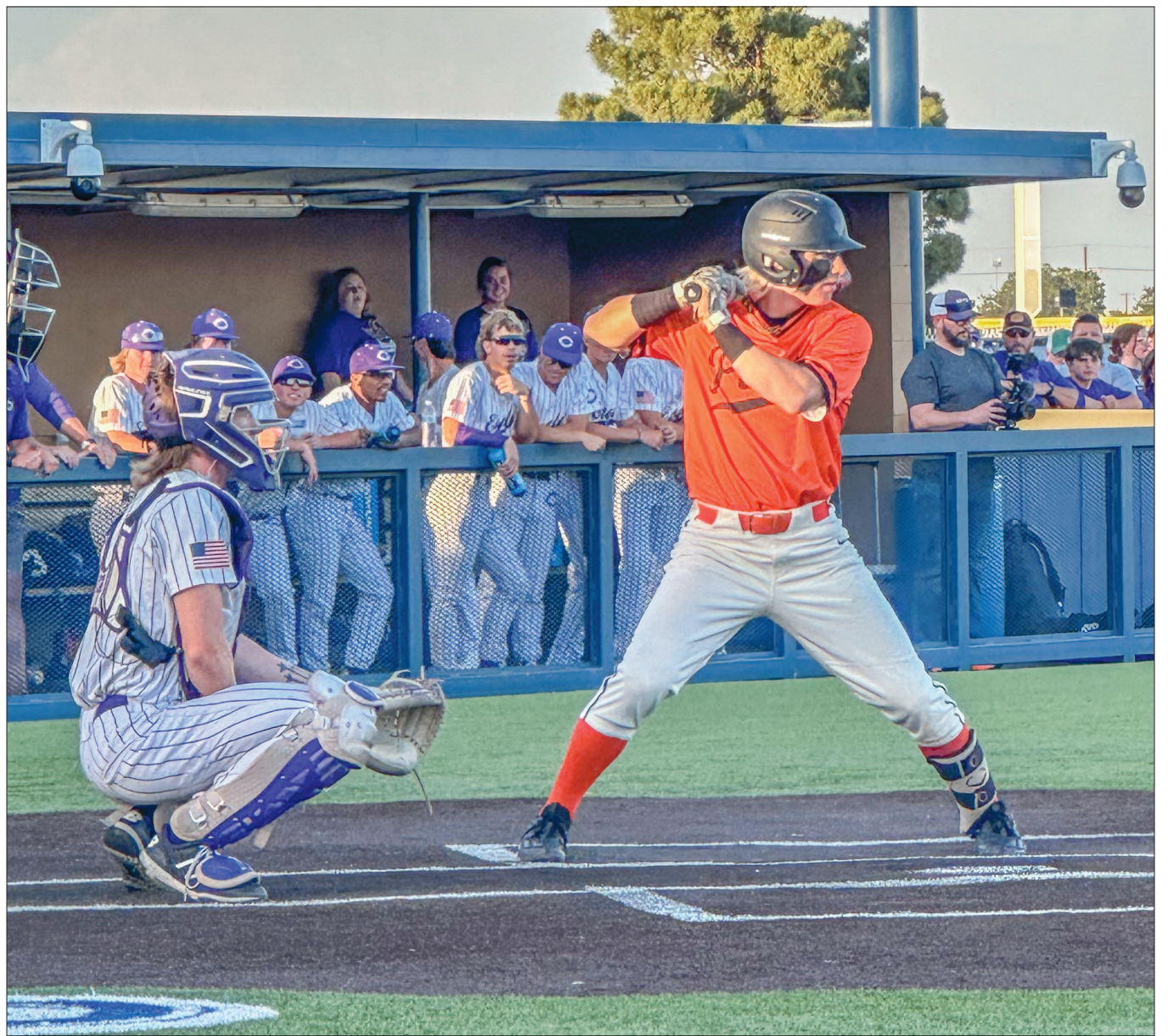
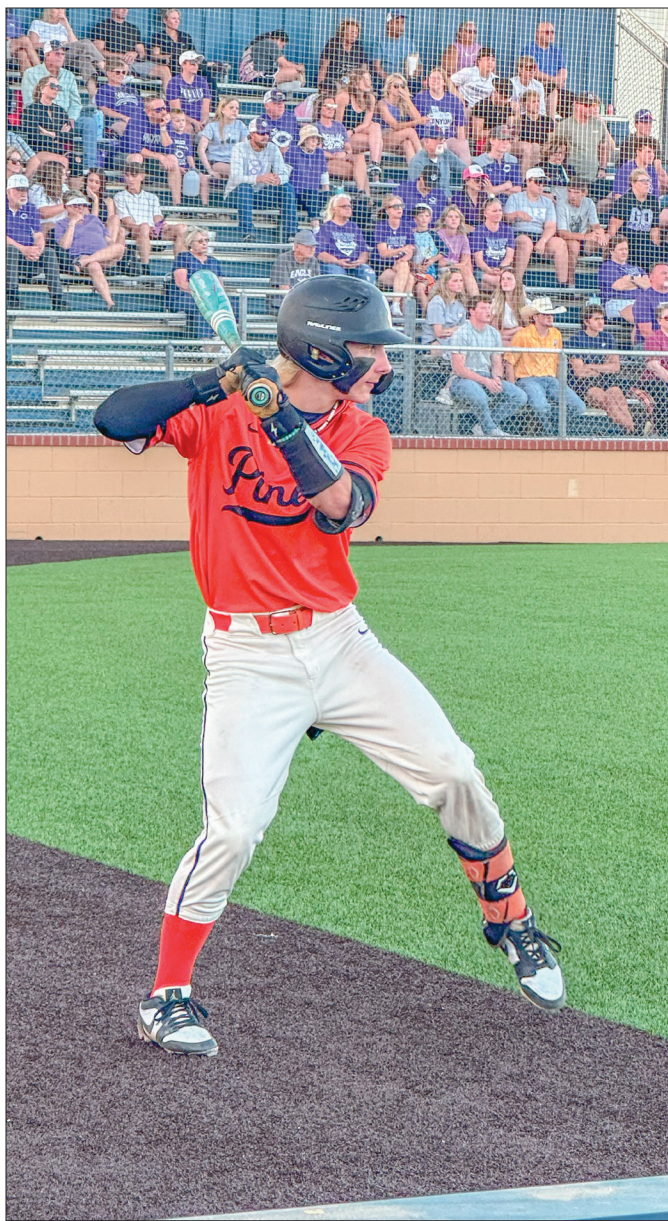
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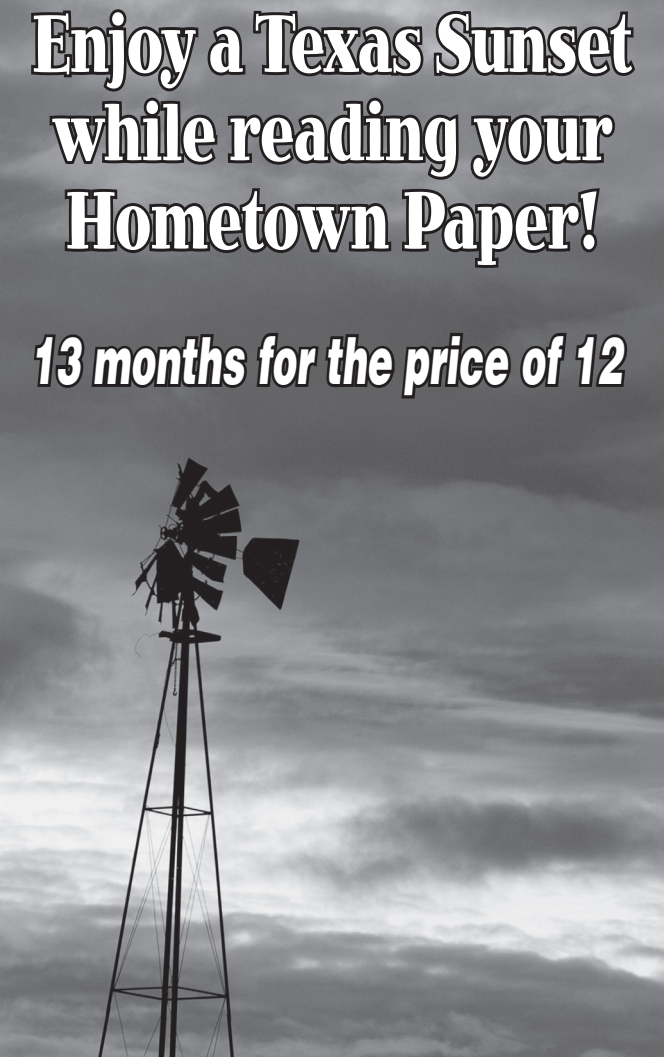
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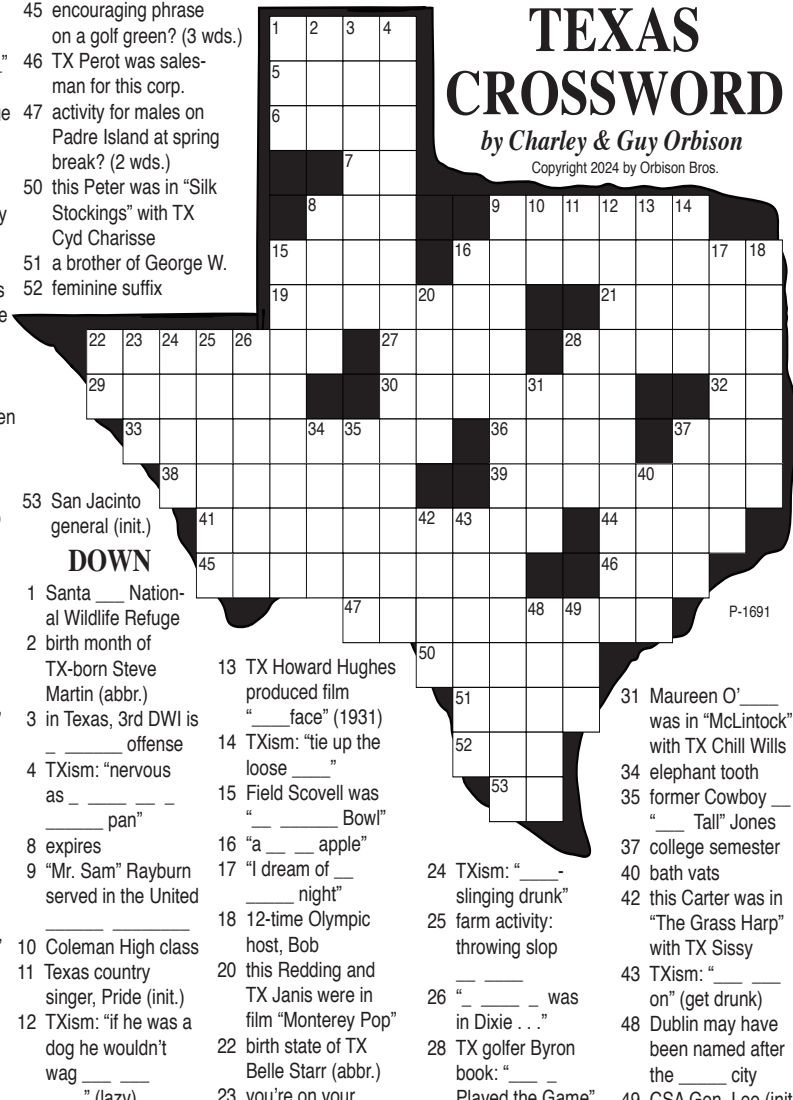
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**ACROSS**

1 Canyon High class  
5 TXism: "sure" \_\_\_\_\_  
6 person living in a certain historical age  
7 Yo \_\_\_\_\_ Digo Creek  
8 TXism: "that \_\_\_\_\_ won't hunt!"  
9 in NE Dallas County  
15 TX McMurry's "Lonesome Dove" was TV \_\_\_\_\_-series  
16 TXism: "as welcome as a skunk \_\_\_\_\_"  
19 across the Rio Grande from McAllen  
21 "\_\_\_\_\_ hear it" (disappointing)  
22 tiled designs  
27 TXism: "take a stab \_\_\_\_\_" (attempt)  
28 cowboy mounts  
29 TXism: "stands on his \_\_\_\_\_ feet"  
30 TXism: "a \_\_\_\_\_ do you do?"  
32 \_\_\_\_\_ Hamlin created "Alley Oop" in Iraan, Texas  
33 TX Nolan Ryan feats (hyph.)  
36 cut with a saw  
37 Texans like it iced  
38 TXism: "he'd have \_\_\_\_\_ up to be a half-wit"  
39 TXism for "animals"  
41 "he would turn Casper the friendly \_\_\_\_\_ grouch" (irritating)  
44 a Gulf pirate: Louis-Michel \_\_\_\_\_

**DOWN**

1 Santa \_\_\_\_\_ National Wildlife Refuge  
2 birth month of TX-born Steve Martin (abbr.)  
3 in Texas, 3rd DWI is \_\_\_\_\_ offense  
4 TXism: "nervous as \_\_\_\_\_ pan"  
8 expires  
9 "Mr. Sam" Rayburn served in the United \_\_\_\_\_  
10 Coleman High class  
11 Texas country singer, Pride (init.)  
12 TXism: "if he was a dog he wouldn't wag \_\_\_\_\_" (lazy)  
13 TX Howard Hughes produced film "\_\_\_\_\_ face" (1931)  
14 TXism: "tie up the loose \_\_\_\_\_"  
15 Field Scovell was "\_\_\_\_\_ Bowl"  
16 "a \_\_\_\_\_ apple"  
17 "I dream of \_\_\_\_\_ night"  
18 12-time Olympic host, Bob  
20 this Redding and TX Janis were in film "Monterey Pop"  
22 birth state of TX Belle Starr (abbr.)  
23 you're on your \_\_\_\_\_



45 encouraging phrase on a golf green? (3 wds.)  
46 TX Perot was salesman for this corp.  
47 activity for males on Padre Island at spring break? (2 wds.)  
50 this Peter was in "Silk Stockings" with TX Cyd Charisse  
51 a brother of George W.  
52 feminine suffix


31 Maureen O' \_\_\_\_\_ was in "McLintock" with TX Chill Wills  
34 elephant tooth  
35 former Cowboy \_\_\_\_\_ "Tall" Jones  
37 college semester  
40 bath vats  
42 this Carter was in "The Grass Harp" with TX Sissy  
43 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ on" (get drunk)  
48 Dublin may have been named after the \_\_\_\_\_ city  
49 CSA Gen. Lee (init.)

24 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ slinging drunk"  
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