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From the Sports Desk with John English

# Bear Basketball: Boys and Girls Push Through to Post Season

The Brewer boy's basketball team won it's 28th game of the take the items? Did you miss the last bulk pickup? season last week with a 43-37 victory over Granbury, and found themselves one win away from a perfect 12-0 district record.

Coach Jason Porostovsky said it was not the greatest effort from his team in the first half.

"We did not play very crisply on the offense end in the first half," Porostovsky said. "We missed several free throws and solid looks. We could not get comfortable. Credit to Granbury. Our defensive effort kept us in the game trailing 15-18 at half. In the second half, our defense picked up even more as well as our From the City of White Settlement offense allowing us to build decent cushion and win the game."

Julian Perez had 17 points in the game, while Warren King finished with 8 points and Javier Espino had 10 rebounds for the Bears.

Porostovsky said in an interview on Saturday that a victory in it's season finale against Wichita Falls Rider on Tuesday would be a coup for his team.

"I think its important to go undefeated, and I believe our kids want that as well," Porostovsky said. "District play is always a grind. We had to win on the road in hostile environments each night. Going undefeated just shows the grit this team possesses."

With the playoffs approaching, Porostovsky said he is feeling good about how is team is competing.

"We are ready," Porostovsky said. (continued on page 3)

From the City of White Settlement

# Community Clean Up Feb. 25 & 26

Cleaning out the garage, shed, or house and need a place to

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We cannot accept hazardous materials, electronics, or tires.

# Teen DIY at the Library: Fidget Necklaces Feb. 27

Teens in the seventh through 12th grades are invited to join us to make fun tools, decor, fidget toys, and more at the White Settlement Public Library. Teen DIY meets on the last Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m.

We didn't get to make our fidget necklaces last month due to the weather, so we'll be making them this month instead, on Monday, Feb. 27.

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From the Trinity Regional Water District

# TRWD Flyfest Returns to the Trinity **River in Fort Worth March 11**

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To create an optimal experience for anglers, TRWD will stock the river with 1,800 lbs. of rainbow trout prior to the event just north of Bryant Irvin Road.

Whether you are an experienced angler or have never touched a fly rod, this fun-

urban trout fishing, will be held on March the whole family. Two of the event's 11 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the River Park biggest attractions are the Orvis Big Trout Trailhead 3100 Bryant Irvin Rd. Fort Contest and the Coffee & Caddis Fly Tying Area. Anglers will compete in the contest to catch the biggest trout or the most fish in the time allotted. Patrons can also learn new tricks and methods from professional fly tiers. Open fishing for fly and bait fishing will also be available in designated areas.

> The event will also feature live music from local band Chattahoochee Music and many children's activities, including a mini stocked tank for fishing and a rock climbing wall. Food trucks, wine and craft beer and many outdoor vendors will make it a fun day for everyone!

> Parking will be available for \$5 at the River Park Trailhead, 3100 Bryant Irvin Road, on the day of the event. For a parking map and other important event information, visit www.trwdflyfest.com.



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# **Sports Desk** (continued from page 1)

"We are still trying to iron out some things programs. so that we can be playing our best basketball as we enter this third season."

defeated Azle to finish out the regular season, and coach Teranie Lewis said she was happy to see her team finished out strong.

they had won the district title in the previous game," Lewis said.

Chania Price played well against the Lady Hornets.

with a 26-3 overall record, an 11-1 mark in district competition and ranked No. 8 in the state according to Max Preps among 5A

### Legal Notice

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO REVIEW WHITE SETTLEMENT ISD'S

Spending plan for the 2022-2025 School Safety Standards Formula Grant Federal Funds

White Settlement ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:30 pm, February 20, 2023 at the Administration Building located at 401 S Cherry Lane, White Settlement, Texas 76108.

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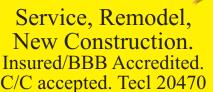
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Lewis said she could not be more happy with how the regular season unfolded.

"I am very satisfied with the regular On the girl's side, the Lady Bears season as a whole," Lewis said. "I think it has prepared us for the playoffs. The girls have worked hard, stayed focus and tuned in with each other and the coaches. I'm "The girls stayed focused even though really impressed this season with how they bounce back from adversity each time that it comes - whether after a loss, in the midst Lewis said that Eryn McKinzie and of a close game or just me getting on them really tough in practice. "That's something we have discussed a lot throughout this Brewer wrapped up the regular season season to prepare for those tough moments in games."

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From StatePoint

# How to Be a Nurturing Plant Parent in Three Easy Steps

Plants add color, life and vibrancy to ing plants. Too much water in effect However, if you are new to plant owneryour foliage thrive.

1. Make a move: Many plants that do tolerate the cold, so don't wait for subindoors for the season.

plants the right amount of light. This may require using special grow lights. Keep in mind though that different types of plants thrive better with different color spectrums tions: There are many plant species that and intensities, so group plants under the while beautiful, don't require much care. right lights accordingly.

may find that misting the leaves of your options, such as succulents or snake plants, warm climate and tropical plants will help provide needed humidity.

ing houseplants often attracts insects that simply forgetful. can harm them and bug you, but there are steps you can take to prevent a pest problem in your home. One important thing you can do is to be sure you are not overwater-

your home's indoor and outdoor spaces drowns plants. It can also create standing and can even improve indoor air quality. water that becomes a breeding ground for flying insects. You can also provide roundship, you may be wondering how to make the-clock protection from fruit flies, gnats and flies by plugging a Zevo Flying Insect Here's are three tips for healthier plants: Trap into a regular outlet near your plants and wherever flying insects enter your well outdoors in the warmer months can't home or gather. Rather than chemical insecticides, the traps use multi-spectrum freezing temperatures to bring planters light technology to attract flying bugs into a discreet glue sheet cartridge. When the Be sure to give your newly-transported cartridge is full, replace it and toss the used one without ever having to touch a dead

3. Know your lifestyle and limita-So, if you're new to owning plants, consid-If your indoor air is dry in winter, you er starting out with lower-maintenance because these plants don't need much water, they are also great options for those 2. Prevent pests: Unfortunately, keep- who travel frequently or those who are

> Have furry friends? Always check whether a given plant is toxic to pets before bringing one home.

Having a green thumb can seem like magic. However, with the right tools and knowledge, anyone can become a nurturing plant parent.



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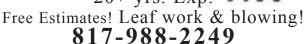
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From the City of White Settlement

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For candidacy filing purposes, the location of the main administrative office for the Special Election is:

City of White Settlement City Hall Office of the City Secretary 214 Meadow Park Drive White Settlement, TX 76108

The White Settlement Public Library, located at 8215 White Settlement Road, White Settlement, Texas 76108, will serve as an Early Voting and Election Day vote center.

#### **Candidate Filing Dates and Fees**

Filing dates for Application for Place on Ballot are now through March 6, 2023.

The City Secretary Office is not required to be open on weekends for the purpose of candidate filings.

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From White Settlement ISD

# Community Invited to WSISD Fine Arts The filing period has opened for a spe- Festival Feb. 16

WSISD's free Fine Arts Festival will be held Thursday, Feb. 16 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Staff, students and their families can puppet shows and have fun with the Show Choir learning their moves and performing karaoke. Attendees can check out performances by our Tannahill, Brewer Middle, Fine Arts Academy and Brewer High bands, choirs, dance, color guard and theatre students as well as Liberty Elementary students, West Elementary third graders and the FAA Lion King cast!

View student artwork from every school in the gallery, get a behind-the-scenes look at the high school fine arts auditorium, and try your hand at a variety of arts and crafts.

The event at Brewer High School, located at 1025 W. Loop 820 North.

From the City of White Settlement

# **One Stop Recycle Drop Event Feb. 25**

The City of White Settlement will host the Fort Worth Crud Cruiser on Saturday, Feb. 25 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Municipal Complex Parking lot.

The Crud Cruiser stops by one time a year to collect the city's Household Hazardous Waste. Along with the Crud Cruiser, we will have Electronic Recycling and Paper Shredding.

Items to drop off are acids, aerosol cans, antifreeze, fertilizer, herbicides, brake fluid, oil, paint, chemicals, degreaser, batteries, electronics, computers, laptops, and private documents to shred.

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# American Banker, Civic Leader, and Four-Term Mayor of Dallas - R. L. Thornton by Dr. Ken Bridges



Sometimes the men dismissed for their failures early in life can become the greatest successes. The story of **R.L. Thornton** is the story of a man raised in poverty and with barely an eighth grade education became synonymous with the success of Dallas in the 1950s.

Robert Lee Thornton was born in 1880 in Hamilton County, just west of Waco. His parents were farmers. In 1887, the family had their land stolen from them in a title dispute. As a result, they lost absolutely everything and were left in deep poverty.

They moved to Ennis, just south of Dallas, where the young Thornton helped the family by picking cotton and taking whatever work he could find. As a result his education was sporadic, and he quit school after the eighth grade. He continued to work odd jobs until he was hired as a store clerk.

Determined to make something of his life, Thornton attempted to restart his education by taking a business course in Dallas. After one course, around 1904, he tried his hand at sales, becoming a traveling salesman in Oklahoma for a candy company. His success was lackluster, so he tried to start his own business. Thornton's first attempt, a stationery business, folded quickly. He quickly started a mortgage company, but it, too, failed.

Thornton tried again in 1916, starting a bank with two other partners. Thornton served as president of the Dallas County State Bank, later the Mercantile National Bank, for 30 years. The bank found early success by capitalizing on a new type of consumer loan for bankers – automobiles. America had fallen in love with the car by the 1920s, and Thornton became an immense success by becoming one of the first North Texas bankers to offer car loans. Soon, other businesses were asking him to serve as an executive with their businesses as well.

By 1933, the business community honored him by naming him president of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce. He was intensely active in Dallas civic affairs, serving with many charitable organizations. He helped bring the 1936 Texas Centennial Exposition to Dallas's Fair Park area, adding permanent exhibits to the area. From 1945 to 1960, he also served as president of the Texas State Fair.

In 1952, at the age of 72, Thornton was ready for new adventure as

he ran for Dallas mayor. Already known as "Mr. Dallas" for his many accomplishments for the city, he won the election easily.

Though Dallas and neighboring Fort Worth were intense business rivals at this time, the need for a modern highway connecting the business districts of the two growing cities was clear. Thornton pushed through the Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike, which later became Interstate 30, which opened in 1957 and became an immediate success.

In 1957, the city also completed the new Dallas Memorial Auditorium, which eventually became one of the largest convention centers in the world. The city completed important renovations and expansions to Love Field.

Housing construction boomed while business leaders unveiled a string of ambitious development plans. "Keep the dirt flying" became Thornton's slogan for an ambitious city. Dallas's population increased dramatically, from just over 450,000 at the beginning of his term to nearly 700,000 by 1961.

In 1960, at the age of 80, he declined to seek another term as mayor. He entered into a quiet retirement in 1961 before his death three years later.

Thornton today is perhaps best remembered in the North Texas area as the namesake for the R. L. Thornton Freeway, a stretch of Interstate 35 East through Dallas as well as the city's R.L. Thornton Elementary School.



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### Friday, Feb. 17:

**AM** - Sunny; high near 51. N wind 5-10mph, with gusts as high as 20mph. **PM** - Partly cloudy; low around 32. NW wind around 5mph becoming S after midnight.



## Saturday, Feb. 18:

**AM** - Partly sunny; high near 54. South wind 5-15mph, with gusts as high as 20mph. **PM** - Partly cloudy; low around 42. S/SW wind 10-15mph, with gusts as high as 20mph.



# Sunday, Feb. 19:

AM - Mostly sunny; high near 71. PM - Mostly cloudy; low around 57.

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