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From the Sports Desk with John English

# Track Athletes Will Represent Brewer at State Meet







Ki Rendon

**Desmond Watkins** 

**Brandon Clark** 

Brewer High School will be represented at the state track and field meet in two weeks, as runner Ki Rendon won a regional championship in the 1,600 meter event on the girls side.

Rendon came from behind in the race to defeat Lubbock High's Reese Pena, finishing with a time of 5:03.43 to claim the regional title.

On the boy's side, Desmond Watkins won a regional championship in the triple jump



to advance to state with a mark of 45-03.00, and Brandon Clark finished second with a mark of 45-01.00.

On the court, the Brewer varsity tennis team (pictured bottom left) participated in the Buzzy classic recently where they competed in eight medal matches in the competition.

Donato Baccarelli won first place in Boys B Singles, and Morgan Williams and Olivia Farris took second in Girls A Doubles.

Jaden Aguilar and Jazmin Robles won second in Mixed B Doubles, and Thomas Rutledge earned third in Boys A Singles.

Lucy Beaird won Consolation Finals in Girls B Singles, and Leah Beaird and Trinity White won Consolation Finals in Girls B Doubles.

Levi Jones and Deisy Rodriguez took fourth in Mixed A Doubles, and Mason Strein and Jeremiah Hamor received Consolation Runner-Up in Boys B Doubles.

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# From the City of White Settlement Kids Kleen It This Saturday

Join the fun for the annual Kids' "Kleen" It event on Saturday, April 27 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Gene Hatcher Pavilion at Central Park.

Kids will learn about water conservation while helping clean up the park. There will be raffles, free goodies and activities.

# Sports Desk (continued from page 1)

On the diamond, the Brewer baseball Trey Ramirez, Jayden-Ayala Hinojosa and team split its series with Northwest last Jesse Orozco this week versus Northwest," week with Azle where Ramirez said he exweek and coach Gilbert Ramirez said his Ramirez said. team fought hard in both games.

of 2-1 on Friday after losing 2-1 last Tuesday, and Ramirez said the series was as close as it sounded.

series in which both games were decided by one run," Ramirez said. "I was proud of how we battled this week."

Ramirez said he had a couple of players step up against the Texans in the series for Brewer.

"We had great pitching performances by

From the City of White Settlement

# City Council Budget Meeting Saturday

The City Council will hold a Budget Kickoff meeting on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Pecan Grove Convention Center, located at 405 N Las Vegas Trail. This annual meeting is a chance for elected officials to hear from each department as the City prepares to move into budget season. You can find this and many other upcoming events by visiting the City calendar.



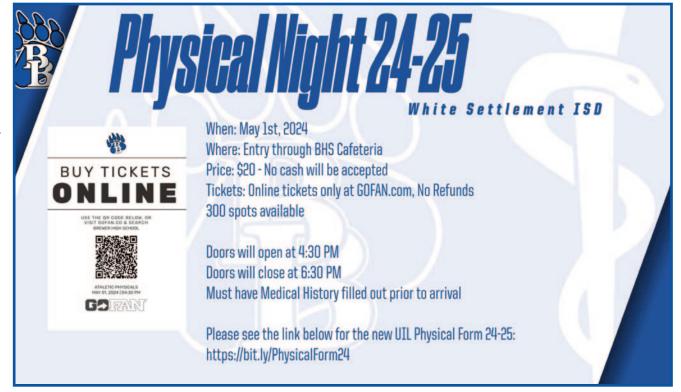


Trey Ramiez (6IP, 5H, 1ER, 6Ks), The Bears defeated Northwest by a score Orozco (2IP, 2H, 0R, 4Ks, Save in game offs. two) and Ayala Hinojosa (6IP, 3H, 1R, 3Ks, win in game two) led the way on the mound "I thought it was a good, hard-fought Ayala-Hinojosa hit .333 this past week verus Northwest.

Brewer will wrap the regular season this pects another tough series.

The Bears did not qualify for the play-

In softball, Brewer wrapped up the regfor the Bears, and Jake Ramirez hit .400 and ular season last week with a loss to Azle. The Lady Bears played Northside on April 24, after the paper had gone to press.





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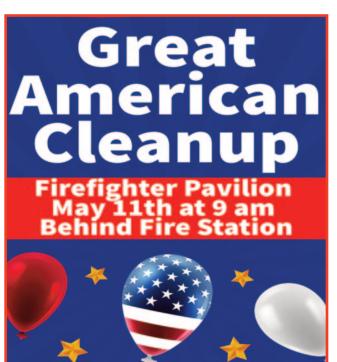
The City of White Settlement provides various opportunities throughout the year for residents to properly dispose of bulk trash, recyclables, tires, electronic waste, grease collection, hazardous materials, and paper shredding. It is essential for us to manage these materials responsibly in order to maintain these services.

Lately, there has been a problem with residents illegally dumping materials on the ground at the Recycle Station located at 8212 Albert St. Please be reminded that the grease collection is designated for cooking grease only, and automotive oil is only accepted during Hazardous Waste Events.

Residents are encouraged to use the Recycle drop-off station on Albert Street for recyclable materials only. If the station is full, please wait for the next pickup.

We ask residents to report any illegal dumping activities at the drop-off station to help us continue providing this valuable serv-

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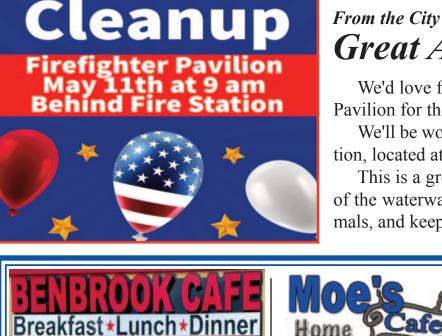
From the City of White Settlement

# Great American Cleanup May 11

We'd love for you to join us on Saturday, May 11 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Firefighter Pavilion for the Great American Cleanup.

We'll be working together to clean up the creek behind the White Settlement Fire Station, located at 8308 Hanon Dr, White Settlement, TX 76108.

This is a great opportunity to make a positive impact by keeping trash and debris out of the waterways, which ultimately helps improve water quality, protect plants and animals, and keep our outdoor spaces clean. Hope to see you there!





Cooking



From the White Settlement Public Library

White Settlement Public Library volunteers Mary, Paulette, Patricia, and Pamela are dedicated members of the Friends of the Library and/or Library Board. Their passion and hard work keep our library vibrant and thriving!

Mary and Paulette are the dynamic duo behind TinkerLab, the beloved STEM program! They inspire young minds and ignite curiosity with exciting experiments and hands-on activities.

Paulette also leads the Book Club, where bookworms gather to discuss gripping stories and share their love for literature.

Pamela and Mary are the driving force behind the Friends of the Library's annual Book Sale, turning pages into treasures and raising funds to support our programs and resources.





#### From White Settlement ISD

## **Students Receive BMS Award of Excellence**

Superintendent Frank Molinar and Brewer Middle School Principal Randy Summerhill recognized students with the BMS Award of Excellence during the April school board meeting.

Nominated by their teachers for demonstrating GRIT, students were: Logan Karr, Lilliana Taylor, Kadence Taylor, William Espinoza, Yonely Munoz, Emily Salas, Dane Burk, Noah Conger, Laura Tyler and Anthony Mrha.

Also pictured is Assistant Principal Joanie Shields.



From White Settlement ISD

# **Criminal Justice Club**

The Brewer High School Criminal Justice Club advanced to the Texas Public Safety Association (TPSA) State Conference for the eighth consecutive year and placed third in State with Felony Traffic Stop.

Students are: (front row, 1-r) Aaliyah Briscoe and Kamarie Johnson; (back) Shelbi Moseley Amiya Kiker, Ray Mayeaux, Mason Strein, Brayden Wilson, Brandon Brown and Emilio Woods.

Advisors are Ashley Johnson, Cassie Hodge and Lisa Bradley.



From the Project Linus Blanketeers

# First Monday Quilt Club: Project Linus Volunteers Needed Advances to State Conference

Come join the fun and fellowship with the Quilt Club volunteers while you make a difference in our community and bless others by making quilts for Project Linus.

The First Monday Quilt Club meets on the first Monday of each month at Bethany Christian Church, located at 1500 Meadow Park Drive in White Settlement from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Instead of a potluck lunch, ladies are asked to bring brunch or snack items. Their next meeting is on Monday, May 6.

Project Linus is a non-profit service organization, and the members of this group are Tarrant County Chapter Project Linus volunteers who create handmade quilts and blankets that provide love, warmth, and comfort for local children who have suffered trauma, tragedy, or illness.

Volunteers also make coverlets for veterans, nursing home residents, and the homeless. Unfortunately, the need for these blankets increases each month. They desperately need volunteers with portable sewing machines to help assemble the quilts.

No experience is needed - there is a place for you. Anyone can help if you can follow instructions, sew, tie a knot, crochet a blanket, or tell a good joke. Volunteers have lots of fun and develop fantastic friendships.

High school students can receive community service credits for participating. Materials (fabric, batting, thread, and yarn) are provided. Donations of fabric, yarn, thread, sewing machines, sergers, or money to purchase materials are greatly appreciated.

For more information about the mission of Project Linus, visit www.projectlinus.org.

For more information about the First Monday Quilt Club, call Virginia Biela at 817-244-1263.

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From the City of White Settlement

# Floral Wreath Workshop May 2



Let your creativity blossom as you're guided through the steps to create a stunning floral wreath that will make the perfect gift for Mom. The workshop will be held on Thursday, May 2 at 4:30 p.m. at the White Settlement Public Library, located at 8215 White Settlement Rd. Each participant will leave the workshop with their own completed wreath.

Spaces are limited, so be sure to register in advance to secure your place.

# Join Your WSFD For Our 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Saturday, May 4, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. at the White Settlement Fire Station located at 8308 Hanon Drive. Join us for an exciting open house as we honor the dedication and service of our firefighters. Explore our firetrucks up close, take a station tour, and more! Snacks and refreshments provided. WE CANT WAIT TO CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

# **Seniors Encouraged to Join WS Senior Center Activities**

Do you know someone age 60 or above? Invite them to check out the White Settlement Senior Center!

The Senior Center, located at 8211 White Settlement Road, White Settlement, TX 76108, works to enable senior adults to live independently with dignity through classes, health screenings, meals, social interaction, games and much more.

There are no membership fees required, so visit https://www.wstx.us/209/Senior-Services and learn more today!





Texas History Minute

# American Singer-Songwriter, Janis Joplin by Dr. Ken Bridges



Janis Joplin thrilled rock fans with her soulful music. As she burst onto the scene in the late 1960s, she was known for songs that were a unique mix of rock, folk, and blues. After her death in 1970, her fame and legend only grew.

She was born in January 1943 in Port Ar-

thur. She was the eldest of three children born to Scott Joplin, a Texaco engineer, and his wife, Dorothy, a registrar at a local college. at First Christian Church in Port Arthur Her artistic talents were emerging. However, she was relentlessly and cruelly bullied by a number of people throughout her years in school. She was never able to get over the bitterness she felt from those years. She also started drinking.

She befriended a group of fellow outcasts where she became enamored with early blues artists such as Bessie Smith and Texas native Huttie "Lead Belly" Ledbetter. They traveled along the Gulf coast listening to a mix of bands.

After her graduation in 1960, she eventually made her way to the University of Texas as an art student by 1962, where she became part of the rising music and counterculture scene on campus. She became a well-known figure, famous for walking barefoot and carrying her autoharp wherever she went.

She began performing gigs around Austin where she met country singer Kenneth Threadgill after performing at his small club. couragement on her career.

San Francisco, hitchhiking across the country. She continued to perform at small venues while writing and recording music in her spare time. But she also began falling into heavy drug use by this time and was arrested for shoplifting. By 1965, her drug use became so bad that friends bought her a bus ticket back home to Port Arthur to recuperate.

Joplin enrolled at Lamar University in Beaumont and took classes in anthropology and social work, even briefly becoming engaged, but her first love was music and continued performing at small clubs.

Once her health was restored, she headed back to San Francisco on an invitation to join Big Brother and the Holding Company. She electrified audiences across California with her energetic performances, often inviting audiences to sing along. Her iconic performance at the Monterey Pops Festival in 1967 caught the attention of music fans and pro-

The next album, "Cheap Thrills," released As a youth, she performed in her church choir in 1968, hit number 1. She began touring with the band across the country. Her version of "Piece of My Heart" was released as a single and was a Top 20 hit. Along the way, she relapsed and started using drugs heavily, with her life began spiraling out of control. She split with her band and formed a new one, the Kozmic Blues Band by late 1968, but essentially it was a solo career.

> She released "I Got Dem Kozmic Blues Again Mama" in 1969, which hit number 5 on the Billboard charts, her second straight platinum album. That summer, she performed at the famous Woodstock music festival in New York.

> On Thanksgiving Day 1969, she performed at Madison Square Garden with the Rolling Stones and sang a duet with Tina Turner. She was so intoxicated that friends and other performers worried about her.

and attempted to kick her addiction habit once a loving biography of her in 1992. again. But her sobriety was short-lived. United States and quickly fell back into her in 1995.

Threadgill gave her a lot of advice and en- addiction. She formed a new band, eventually known as the Full Tilt Boogie Band, and went By early 1963, she decided to leave for on tour, appearing with the Grateful Dead and blues guitarist Buddy Guy. She concluded the tour in August.

> Shortly afterward, she returned to Port Arthur for the last time to attend her 10-year class reunion. Though her musical talents had earned her a lot of fame, her relationships with many of her former classmates were still strained; and she publicly berated the city and her classmates in a press conference.

> She returned to Los Angeles and began recording an album with her band. They had spent several weeks recording tracks. Her behavior was erratic, and she wondered how much longer her newest band would perform with her. On Oct. 4, she was found dead from an overdose. She was only 27, part of a string of deaths of young artists from drug overdoses at that time, including Jim Morrison and Jimi Hendrix.

Though the album was still incomplete, Columbia Records decided to release the ducers. The band's self-titled album that year album in early 1971. "Pearl" was the biggest hit of Joplin's career. The album's title was her nickname among her friends. The album shot to the top of the charts and featured some of her most memorable songs. Her rendition of "Me and Bobby McGee," which was written by one-time boyfriend Kris Kristofferson was a number 1 single on the Billboard charts. The track, "Mercedes Benz" was also released as a popular single from the album. The song was a take on consumerism and was one of her last recordings, completed just days before her death.

> In the years afterward, Columbia continued to release old recordings. "In Concert" was released in 1972 and peaked at number four. A greatest hits album was released in 1973 and was a Top 40 hit. Numerous books and documentaries were made about her, including tribute songs performed by friends and admirers. Many artists continue to perform cover versions of her hits.

In 1988, a statue of her was unveiled in In February 1970, she traveled to Brazil Port Arthur. Her younger sister Laura wrote

She was honored posthumously with an Within a few weeks, she returned to the induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

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# Weekend Forecast



## Friday, April 26:

<u>AM</u> - Showers and thunderstorms likely. Mostly sunny, with a high near 83. Breezy, with a south wind 20 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70%.

**PM** - Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. Breezy, with a south wind 20 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.



## Saturday, April 27:

**AM** - A 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 1pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. Breezy, with a south wind 20 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

**PM** - Showers and thunderstorms likely. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68. Breezy, with a south wind around 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70%.



# Sunday, April 28:

**AM** - A 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 82. South southwest wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**PM** - A 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

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