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Council denies Light Industrial Zoning Change

A petition started by Lindsey McCuiston of Sanger had over 1000 signatures opposing a zoning change by the City of Sanger. A Rezoning from Planned Development (PD) to Light Industrial (LI) of approximately 202.45 Acres of Land described as A0029A R. BEEBE, TR 107 Generally Located at the South Lois Rd East, approximately 1200 feet west of the intersection of Marion Rd and Lois Rd East. It's located a mile east of Sportsman 2.

At the October 5, City Council Meeting / Public Hearing, the Sanger City Council denied the zoning change request on the property that would have most likely brought a one-million sq. ft. warehouse/distribution center.

The opposition from the Sanger citizens who signed the petition was that the 202.45 acres is located on the east side of the railroad, a closer proximity to homes in the area and they

felt Light Industrial zoning should be for the west side of the railroad.

The industrial activity has been reserved for the west side of the railroad closer to I-35 with easier access for all the 18-wheeler traffic.

McCuiston said that she wanted to give a huge and sincere thank you to everyone that showed up to the city council meeting regarding the rezoning on Lois Rd E & the Triple T Ranch issue.

"Now we can move forward in hopes that there is a greater purpose for that land, one that does not compromise our children's safety, our health, our roads and our property values.

We also need to take the time and thank our city council members for the work they do and for taking on the responsibility of being the congregative voice of the people of Sanger."

Council tables Triple T Ranch



By Christian McPate Staff Writer for Denton Record-Chronicle



The Sanger City Council's Monday night meeting drew so many people in opposition to Triple T Ranch development that police had people wait outside the historic church where the council meets and cycle in for their public comments. The 387-acre development is slated for an area of Ray Roberts Lake protected by Denton County and the state.

More than 80 property owners signed a petition last month to stop the project because it doesn't ad-

here to currently required 1-acre minimum lot size. Developers are planning a possible 1,061 homes near Union Hill Road, FM1190 and the lake, in Sanger's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Council members were deciding three different issues related to the project, including whether to update the future land use map from ranch estate residential to medium residential; and whether to bypass the current Ray Roberts Lake zoning district by annexing and rezoning the 1-acre lots requirement to allow for a higher density as part of a planned devel-

opment zoning.

The developer, Triple T Farms, is also seeking to establish the Triple T Ranch Public Improvement District, which would require future residents of the district to pay additional taxes on top of the city and county taxes to fund infrastructure, like water and wastewater lines, within the district's boundaries.

During Monday's meeting, commenter after commenter echoed sentiments in opposition of the development, citing the higher density, current issues at Sanger's wastewater facility and infrastruc-

People wait outside the Sanger City Council meeting on Monday. Space inside was limited, and Sanger police required people who wanted to speak in opposition to the Lois Rd. Light Industrial and the proposed Triple T Ranch development to wait outside and take turns coming inside for their public comments. About 150 people attended the meeting.

ture issues.

Denton County Commissioner Ryan Williams, who represents Sanger as part of Precinct 1, also spoke in opposition to the project. He said that staff was wrong about density because a majority of the development would be high-density and that the developer didn't approach the county "because he knows that if he did, we would deny it."

"That's not what the land use was ever set up or designed for," said Williams, who explained

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Lawrence "James" Graham

March 6, 1972 - September 19, 2026

Lawrence "James" Graham was born on March 6, 1972, in Santa Monica, California, and passed away peacefully in his sleep at home on September 19, 2026, in Fargo, North Dakota, due to natural causes related to COPD.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Laura and James Graham, and his nephew, Alexander James. He is survived by his daughter, Tamara Doran of Fargo, North Dakota; his son, Zachary Graham of Garland, Texas; his beloved granddaughter, Guinevere Doran; his sister, Donna (VK); his nieces, Samantha Carns (Armando) and Juliette, all of Australia; and many cousins throughout the United States.

A Southern boy to the end, James grew up in Denton County, Texas, at Sanger High School and spent much of his twenties traveling throughout the United States. He later made Northwest Arkansas his home in his mid-thirties, where he built a successful career in hospitality and received multiple Fayetteville hospitality awards. He attended the University of North Texas and the University of Arkansas.

In 2018, James relocated to Fargo, but his core never really left the South. He remained an eternally devoted Razorbacks fan and was most frequently seen sporting UofA gear.

James was a gentle giant with a gift for gab who could make a friend almost anywhere. His unmistakable charm, intellect, humor, and wit were central to who he was, and there always seemed to be a free drink somewhere nearby when James was around.

James lived a life that took him across the country, through different cities, careers, friendships, and chapters. It is fitting that his final journey will be much the same. A Funeral Mass will be held at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Fargo, where he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, before his last grand adventure to Australia. He will ultimately be laid to rest in his home state of Texas, in accordance with his wishes.

Remembered for his passionate banter, laughter, and larger-than-life presence, he will be greatly missed by his family who loved him dearly.

Until we meet again, we raise a Dr. Pepper.



Joel Spann

August 2, 1963 - September 27, 2026

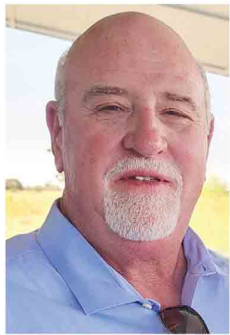
David Joel Spann, Joel left his earthly home on Sunday, September 27, 2026.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl Spann, daughter Amber Bagley (husband Jason) son, Lane Spann (wife Jennifer), and daughter Sydnee Spann. He left behind 5 grandchildren, Brayden, Blake, Kyleigh, Blayne, and Rosston. Joel loved all of these greatly. Joel is also survived by his Aunt Clara Boyd, stepmother Lori Spann, brother Jerry Williams (wife Carol) (sisters-in-law Candy Campbell (husband Mike) and Cathy Hudleston (husband Randy) and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Joel is preceded in death by grandparents, Charles and Lorene Spann, Jack and Evelyn Fenoglio, parents Charles Spann, Mary Teel, and step-father Bill Teel, his father-in-law, Larry Matthews, mother-in-law Carol Matthews and sister Teresa Spann.

Joel grew up in Bowie, Texas, where he learned to love fishing and hunting, watching the Dallas Cowboys, and earned his Eagle Scout Badge while developing some life-long friendships. He was a member of the Bowie Church of Christ, graduated from Bowie High School and went to Texas Tech. He spent most of his adult life working at and retired from Peterbilt Motors in Denton, Texas, where his list of dear friends grew. He also spent most Saturdays and many Sundays motoring around Texas Lakes, hoping to hook the biggest bass or bring in the largest catch. He continued to make close friends on the water and in the community where he lived. Joel was a sports fan most of his life and spent hours watching his favorite teams on T.V. and, in recent years, picking them in a fantasy football league. Joel was a friend who showed up, worked hard, and shared lots of jokes. He was always excited to reminisce about old times with family and friends. He was proud of his children and grandchildren and loved them deeply.

Joel leaves a big hole in the hearts of his family and friends, but we grieve with hope in the knowledge that we will see him again.



Jeffrey Cameron Day

June 25, 1969 - September 19, 2026

Jeffrey Cameron Day, 57, of Fort Worth, passed away in Fort Worth, Texas on Saturday, September 19th, 2026.

Born in Dallas, Texas on June 25, 1969, Jeffrey was the son of Vida (Grayson) Day and John Day.

Jeffrey was a 1987 graduate of Honey Grove High School in Honey Grove, Texas.

He became a Quality Control Representative for a concrete company by the name of Chisolm Trail Redi Mix and made a lot of lifelong friends that became more like family from Tarrant Concrete and many companies before.

Jeffrey loved spending time with his wife, Pattii, along with his friends and family but his favorite way to spend his Saturdays was outside grilling and playing with his grandkids while trying to ride their hoverboards!

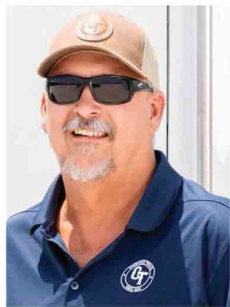
He is preceded in death by his father, John Day; daughter, Kelly Day; grandparents, Pete and Jeanette Grayson; and sister, Erika Day.

Those left behind to cherish Jeffrey's memory are his wife, Pattii Cavins of Fort Worth; one son, Cameron Day of Honey Grove; one daughter, Amanda Gonzalez and her husband Dario Gonzalez of Alvarado; six grandchildren, Emma, Maci, Aubree, Jonathan, Alexis and Summer; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Jeff was a part of the team that built highway 161 or as he loved to call it "Jeff Day Highway" and while he took great pride in his work and loved it very much, if you were to ask him, his greatest accomplishment in life was being a Dad and PowPow.

There will be a memorial service held at a later date and time at Allens Point Baptist Church in Honey Grove, Texas.

Services are entrusted to Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. You are welcome to offer condolences to the Day Family in the online guestbook at www.cokerfuneralhome.com.



Judy Lantrip

December 4, 1943 - September 23, 2026

Judy Lantrip, age 82, of Aubrey, Texas, passed away peacefully on September 23, 2026, at her home in Aubrey. She was born on December 4, 1943, in Dallas, Texas, to Edwin and Jo Legendre.

Judy was always a hard worker with a no-nonsense attitude. She was one of the first female UPS delivery drivers and an entrepreneur. Judy retired as a Sergeant with the Denton County Constable Office, Precinct 5, after decades of service. Throughout her life, Judy found joy in raising and riding horses, bowling, traveling, camping, and spending time with her family, friends, and pets.

Judy was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Roy Lantrip; her parents, Edwin "Frenchy" and Jo Jolly Legendre; sister Linda O'Conner; brother Ned Legendre; and great-granddaughter Avery Malone.

She is survived by her children, Judy Ann Hall of Azle, Texas; David Malone and wife, Loveta, of Aubrey, Texas; Tony Malone and wife, Sandi, of Burneyville, Oklahoma; Butch Malone and wife, Blinda, of Gainesville, Texas; Lisa Clements of Whitesboro, Texas; Kathy Hooten and husband, Jackie, of Denton, Texas; Patty Barnard of Aubrey, Texas; Leigha McNabb and husband, Todd, of Aubrey, Texas; Joey Malone and wife, Kim, of Sanger, Texas; Teresa Miller and husband, Richard, of Aubrey, Texas; and Kasey Pruett and husband, Dahlon, of Aubrey, Texas; bonus sons David "Bootie" Hall and wife, Christie, of Madill, Oklahoma, and Jacob Gaede of Gordonville, Texas; 37 grandchildren, 59 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren; brother Bill Legendre and wife, Gerry, of Little Elm, Texas; and her devoted canines, Splinter, Tucker, Momo, and Tuffy, of Aubrey, Texas.

A visitation was held on September 28, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at First Rock Fellowship, 201 N. Cherry St., Aubrey, Texas. A funeral service was held on September 29, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at First Rock Fellowship, with Chris Walden officiating. Interment followed at Belew Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Home.





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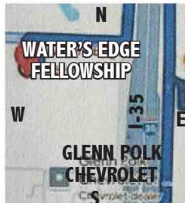
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******Medicare 2027 - Thursday, Oct 29 – 6-8pm.**

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Beginning Monday, November 2, City offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM and closed on Fridays.

As Sanger continues to grow, the new schedule will provide extended office hours for residents while helping the City build and support a strong workforce.

The Sanger Public Library will continue its current operating hours, and Police, Fire, and Public Works emergency and on-call services will continue to be available 24 hours a day.

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Is FIRE right for you? What early retirement really takes



Nikki Smith
Financial Advisor

The idea has never been more appealing: quit your 9-to-5 decades ahead of schedule and spend your days on your own terms. You may have heard of the FIRE movement, but what is it really and does the hype live up to reality?

FIRE stands for Financial Independence, Retire Early. While some FIRE advocates focus on retiring early, others are more interested in achieving enough financial independence to gain greater flexibility over their career, lifestyle and future.

Wherever your goal fall on that spectrum, FIRE is typically built around three commitments: high savings, frugal living and disciplined investing. Proponents generally save from 50-75% of their yearly income, according to CNBC Select, live more frugally and invest those savings for growth potential over time.

Why FIRE resonates with some people

It can help you prioritize. While you may want a long and successful career, you may instead pri-

oritize earlier retirement or a path that allows you more time with family, a more meaningful job or a downshift from your current daily grind.

It advocates for some sound financial principles. Living within your means, saving for your goals and investing for long-term growth potential can help build a solid financial foundation.

It helps you set a strategy for the future. Achieving your retirement goal is easier when you've defined what you want retirement to look like and built a strategy to help achieve it.

What to consider before pursuing FIRE

Your budget may change. Future expenses may look different than they do today. Family obligations, emergencies and other life changes can increase the amount you'll need in early retirement.

You may need to bridge the retirement benefit gap. Medicare covers many healthcare costs for retirees 65+, but if you retire early, you'll need to find and pay for health insurance until you become eligible. You'll also need to rely more heavily on personal savings for longer before claiming Social Security benefits. Because Social Security benefits are generally based on your

highest 35 earning years, retiring early may result in a lower benefit than if you'd continued working.

Your flexibility may be limited. Market declines can be particularly challenging in retirement. One way to help weather a decline is by reducing spending, but a lean budget with more necessary expenses may leave you with fewer options to adjust your spending.

Your strategy should be personalized. Many FIRE proponents advocate for rules of thumb like the 4% withdrawal rate and saving 25 times your annual expenses. However, retiring earlier than normal means your savings must support a longer retirement, and inflation has a larger impact. Therefore, your withdrawal rate may need to be lower and your planned savings higher than traditional rules of thumb, and those targets should be personalized to you.

Start planning now

Whether your goal is early retirement or a more traditional path, a financial advisor can help you with a plan for your goals and the path ahead.

Nikki Smith is a financial advisor with Edward Jones in Sanger. She can be reached at 940-458-7866.



Don't Bury Your Treasure: Fall Tree Planting Done Right

By Brenda Martin, Denton County Master Gardener

Fall is prime season for one of gardening's most common crimes: improper tree planting. You've probably seen it. A beautiful new tree planted in a perfect circle of mulch piled high against the trunk like a chocolate lava cake. It may look tidy, but that "volcano mulch" is actually harming the tree.

When mulch piles up against the trunk, moisture gets trapped against the bark. This can lead to decay, insect problems, fungal diseases, and roots that circle the trunk instead of growing outward. Over time, these girdling roots can slowly strangle the tree they were meant to support.

Instead, spread mulch in a wide, flat ring around the tree, keeping it three to six inches away from the trunk. Think "donut," not "volcano." The mulch should be 2 to 3 inches deep and extend as far out as possible—ideally to the tree's drip line, the area beneath the outermost reach of the branches. Most of a tree's absorbing roots are in the top eight to twelve inches of soil, where oxygen, water, and nutrients are most readily available.

Trees should never be planted too deeply. Before planting, locate the root flare—the place where the trunk widens and transitions into roots. That flare should be visible at or slightly above the soil surface after planting. If you can't see the root flare when you purchase the tree, don't assume it isn't there. Many nursery-grown trees arrive with excess soil or potting media covering the flare. Plant the tree in a hole two to three times wider than the root ball but no deeper than the root ball's height. One of the most common mistakes gardeners make is digging a hole too deep, allowing the root flare to be buried below grade. Trees



may survive this mistake for years, but they rarely thrive.

Another surprise for many gardeners: research shows that using the native soil removed from the planting hole often produces better long-term results than creating a pocket of rich soil. When roots encounter a dramatic difference between the planting hole and surrounding soil, they may be reluctant to venture outward.

Once planted, water thoroughly and consistently. Fall-planted trees and shrubs benefit from cooler temperatures, but they still need regular watering through winter and into spring while establishing their root systems. Use a cycle-and-soak approach on clay soils and maintain moisture to a depth of eight to twelve inches the first year and twelve to sixteen inches the second year.

Think of planting as an investment. The extra minutes spent finding the root flare, digging the proper hole, and applying mulch correctly can add decades to the life of a tree.

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<i>Davis, Kaylianna</i>	<i>Sax - Alto</i>
<i>Frizzell, Elizabeth</i>	<i>Mello</i>
<i>Gabriel, Jace</i>	<i>Trumpet</i>
<i>Graham, Lucy</i>	<i>Flute</i>
<i>Hurst, Abby</i>	<i>Perc</i>
<i>Liebes, Roxy</i>	<i>Flute</i>
<i>Lopez, Aliah</i>	<i>Perc</i>
<i>Mills, Remi</i>	<i>Sax - Alto</i>
<i>Rossman, Liam</i>	<i>Perc</i>
<i>Shaw, James</i>	<i>Mello</i>
<i>Smith, Serenity</i>	<i>Clarinet</i>
<i>Whitaker, Harley</i>	<i>Mello</i>
<i>Williams, Wyatt</i>	<i>Euph</i>
Brennan, Tyler	Sax - Alto
Cabrea, Kail	Sax - Alto
Calderon, Damian	Euph
Castaneda, Isabel	Perc
Galicia, Yarell	Mello
Gosdin, Dalton	Trumpet
Hunsberger, Eli	Euph
James, Justice	Perc
Jones, Liam	Euph
Kimmel, Shepherd	Sax - Tenor
Lopez, Gilder	Trumpet
Love, Kason	Perc
Martinez-Lopez, Amaya	Flute
Matlock, Noah	Tuba
McCrindle, Evangeline	CG/French Horn
McRac, Ben	Mello/Trumpet
Meade, Journey	Clarinet
Montalbo, Mia	Trumpet
Oliver, Anthony	Euph
Owen, Corbin	Perc
Pierce, Isaac	Perc
Powell, Pria	Perc
Reyes, Joselyn	Tuba
Reyes, Samuel	Trumpet
Ruth, Nathaniel	Tuba
Shoemake, Madelyn	Clarinet

Todd, Luke	Trumpet
Wolf, Maddox	Trombone
Yancey, Makenah	Tuba
Yancey, Ramyah	Flute
Ball, Bryce	Perc
Beckett, Kimberly	Flute
Bilyeu, Jayce	Sax - Alto
Binkley, Holden	Sax - Tenor
Blanchard, Kolton	Euph
Carballo, David	Bass Clarinet
Crittendon, Emilise	Mello
Crowder, Kaleb	Perc
Ellis, Gray	Mello
Garcia, Gabriela	CG
Hopson, Ethan	Perc
Hulstein, Christian	Perc
Jenkins, Calleigh	Perc
Laird, Tayte	Tuba
Liebes, Micah	Trumpet
McIntire, Grace	Perc
Merritt, Cady	CG
Owen, Ainsley	Clarinet
Phelps, Dylan	Mello
Pichardo, Valeria	Flute
Pineda, Slade	Perc
Pruitt, David	Trombone
Rhodes, Liam	Euph
Rico, Jovana	Trumpet
Sheridan, Lilly	Trombone
Smith, Peyton	Trumpet
Soliday, Ioana	Trumpet
Soto, Magaly	Euph
Stegeman, Olivia	CG
Tipton, Trayson	Mello
Valdez, Annabella	CG
Whatley, Raymond IV	Trombone
Cooper, Imogen	Perc/Bassoon
Crittenden, Camryn	Perc
Del Valle Colon, Naomi	Flute
Dudenhoeffer, Lena	Clarinet

Garcia, Joselyn	Trombone
Gee, Kaliyah	Trumpet
Grebliunas, Kylee	CG
Guajardo, Micah	Mello
Hawkins, Lillian	Flute
Holder, Cali	Flute
Huerta, Marcelo	Sax - Alto
Jurado, Gustavo	CG
Luna, Melanie	Trombone
Martinez-Espinoza, Jaret	Sax - Alto
Mitchell, Elizabeth	CG
Nunez Aguilar, Angelike	CG/Euph
Papa, Isabella	Trumpet
Pierce, Isabella	CG
Rust, David	Perc
Sayre, Austin	Sax - Alto
Stogdill, Camryn	Flute
Van Leuven, Charlie	Sax - Tenor
Yeck, Trevor	Tuba / Euph
Graham, Mason	Trumpet
Henson, Leighton	CG
Jordan, Kinley	Sax - Alto

Klingler, Robert (Bobby)	Trumpet
Lynch, Connor	Sax - Tenor
Martinez, JohnPaul	CG
Mathews, Kaylee	Clarinet
McIntire, Jacob	Perc
Mooney, Kaylynn	CG
Moore, KIELYNN	CG
Naffziger, Madison	Flute
Oldaker, Alissa	Flute
Perez, Taysani	Perc
Ponce, Victoria	Trumpet
Smith, Cheyenne	Flute
Stephenson, Zoe	Sax - Alto
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White, Annie	Trombone
White, Jessie	Bass Clarinet
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Varsity Football

Sanger opens district play at Krum

With district play here this week, SSC took a look at the history between two neighboring communities that are about to write the next chapter in what is being called THE BACK ROAD BRAWL!

Sanger and Krum are separated by the back roads of Denton County — FM 156 and FM 2450 — and while this football series isn't nearly as old as some Texas rivalries, it has packed plenty into a short amount of time.

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2023 — Krum 37, Sanger 13

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Krum	0-0	3-2
Ponder	0-0	3-2
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District Meet is next week

Sanger's high school varsity boys raced in the 5A-6A varsity division at The Reunion Run in Decatur and finished 2nd as a team with 72 points last Saturday.

Here's how the Indians finished individually:

- 9th David Martinez — 16:19.36
- 10th Bryden Meade — 16:22.59
- 13th Travis Martinez — 16:41.19
- 19th Gabriel Soto — 17:00.16
- 21st Angel Zepeda — 17:05.29
- 23rd Jesse Jacobs — 17:05.67

The first five finishes combined for Sanger's 72-point team score. Congratulations to all six runners on a strong showing against the 5A-6A field!

The Sanger Lady Indians finished 4th with 92 points in the 1A-4A varsity girls race at The Reunion Run in Decatur!

Congratulations to the entire team on a strong showing at Reunion Grounds.

- 4th Ashton Grahl 12; 12:26.23
- 17th Camryn Cochran 9; 13:24.59
- 28th Magaly Soto 10; 13:54.83
- 30th Tatum Cochran 11; 13:58.73
- 34th Ellory Herb 9; 14:15.98
- 36th Melanie Soto 9; 14:19.55
- 43rd Dulce Gervacio 12; 14:25.44



Impeccable photo timing - Two Cross Country 5k runners at the Decatur Reunion Run, out of small town Sanger, TX showing great form. Both, David Martinez and Bryden Meade running Mid - High 15 minute 5Ks on mid season fatigue and are starting fatigue management taper with post season around the corner. Sanger has been ranked #1 in Texas 4A cross country polls since the beginning of the season with 8 sub 17 minute runners. These two leading the way.

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2026 HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE				
DATE	MEET	LOCATION	TEAM	TIME
10/14 (Wed.)	District	North Lakes Park 2001 W Windsor Dr, Denton, TX 76207	Varsity/JV	9:00 AM
10/26 or 10/27 (Mon - Tues)	Regionals	1000 W Bardin Rd, Arlington, TX 76017	Varsity	9:00 AM
11/6 or 11/7 (Fri or Sat)	State	Old Settlers Park 3300 E Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665	Varsity	TBA



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SPORTS

SHS Varsity Volleyball
Lady Indians move to 6-1 in district

Sanger took down Krum in four sets to improve to 6-1 in district play on Tuesday.

After dropping the opening set, the Lady Indians responded by winning three straight to secure another important district victory!



Izzy Escobedo had four aces against Krum.

SHS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL ROSTER		
#	Name	Class
3	Kirsten Lindberg	SR
4	Daijah Green	SR
5	Molly Schmucker	SR
6	Mikayla Keckeissen	SR
7	Sophia De La Rosa	SR
10	Izzy Escobedo	SOPH
11	Estelle Whitlock	SR
12	Kyla Sheriff	JR
20	Blakely Pennington	SOPH
21	Kinsy Ribinskas	SR
44	Sarah Dee	SR

SET SCORES

Krum 25, Sanger 18
Sanger 25, Krum 20
Sanger 25, Krum 20
Sanger 25, Krum 23

KILLS

Molly Schmucker — 15
Blakely Pennington — 11
Kinsy Ribinskas — 7
Estelle Whitlock — 5
Sarah Dee — 5
Kyla Sheriff — 3

BLOCKS

Kinsy Ribinskas — 6
Estelle Whitlock — 5
Molly Schmucker — 3
Sarah Dee — 3
Blakely Pennington — 2

ACES

Izzy Escobedo — 4
Daijah Green — 3
Blakely Pennington — 2
Molly Schmucker — 1
Kyla Sheriff — 1
Sarah Dee — 1

SHS Volleyball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Location	V	JVP	JVG
Oct. 9	Friday	Gainesville*	Gainesville HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Oct. 10	Saturday	work B-Team Spikefest	SHS & SMS	TBA	TBA	TBA
Oct. 13	Tuesday	Ponder**	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Oct. 16	Friday	Van Alstyne*	Van Alstyne HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Oct. 20	Tuesday	Aubrey*	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Oct. 23	Friday	Lake Dallas*	Lake Dallas HS	6:00	6:00	4:30

* = District Match \$ = Senior Night # = Middle School Night ^ = Youth Volleyball Night
! = Teacher Appreciation Night

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It was a great turnout for the Sanger Area Chamber of Commerce Health & Wellness Luncheon, recently at Riley's Room in Downtown Sanger. "We are so thankful to everyone who came out, connected with local businesses, and supported our Sanger community," said Stacy McCollom - President of the Chamber of Commerce.

"A HUGE thank you to our luncheon sponsor, First United Bank! Your support helps us continue bringing great events and opportunities to our local business community. We truly appreciate you!"

We also want to thank all of our amazing health and wellness vendors who shared valuable information and resources with everyone:

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And a HUGE shout-out to Cowboys in Sanger for coming through for us and providing some absolutely delicious food! The food was AMAZING!

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Celebrating
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October is National Principal Month, and Sanger ISD is proud to celebrate the dedicated leaders who serve the students, staff, and families across Sanger ISD!

- Amanda Howland — Chisholm Trail Elementary
- Jill Morphis — Butterfield Elementary
- Allison Nelson — Clear Creek Elementary
- Dr. Logan Lacy — Sanger Middle School
- Carly Sperry — Sanger High School
- Tony Love — Linda Tutt High School

Being a principal means wearing a lot of hats! From greeting students in the morning and celebrating their successes to supporting teachers, solving problems, building relationships, and creating a positive campus culture, our principals make a difference every single day. Their leadership helps shape not only what happens inside our schools today, but also the futures of the students who walk through their doors. Throughout the month, the SISD FaceBook page will highlight the principals and share a little more about why they love what they do and what makes each of their campuses so special. Please join SISD in saying THANK YOU to the Sanger ISD principals for the heart, time, energy, and dedication they give to their campuses and the Tribe!



City of Sanger, Sanger ISD Police Departments and the DEA Dallas Field Division presents:

Just Think Twice:
An honest conversation about drugs

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This will be a crash course in understanding that dab is not a dance move, juuling is not a new way to bedazzle your clothing, spice is not the kind in your kitchen cabinet, and Molly is not the girl next door. Learn what the new F word is, know the dangers of fentanyl and the accessibility of these deadly drugs.

This program is suitable for families and their students, grades sixth and up.

The City of Sanger, Sanger ISD Police Departments, and the DEA Dallas Field Division present: Just Think Twice: An Honest Conversation about Drugs on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at Sanger Middle School Auditorium. They cordially invite parents/guardians and their students in 6th grade and up to attend this informative and possibly lifesaving presentation. If you as a parent/guardian have kids younger than the targeted audience and would still like to attend to be better equipped for the challenges ahead, please attend. Refer to the flyer for more details.

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Triple T

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that 67% of the development would be homes on lots of 6,000 square feet or smaller. "... That's extremely high. That is not what the state, the county, has ever wanted there, or the citizens."

Williams asked the council to deny or table the developer's requests so the county could get involved and have a discussion with the developer.

The council decided unanimously on Monday to table the developer's requests until Jan. 19.

In an email Tuesday to the Denton Record-Chronicle, council member Victor Gann said he didn't have much to say other than that he was excited Triple T was willing to work with the council.

"I know that much time has been spent on this between staff and Triple T," Gann said. "We don't have many areas like this. Hoping we can find something that makes us all happy. Looking for a win-win."

Property owner Jon Canon, who started the protest petition, said he kept trying to reiterate to the council that he wasn't trying to shut down the project but seeking "something reasonable."

"What they had proposed was not reasonable," Canon said in a message to the Record-Chronicle on Tuesday.

You can see the entire article at:



Grapevine-based Westwood Real Estate Development is seeking to build a master-planned community of over 1,000 houses. It has asked Sanger to annex 387 acres of land near Ray Roberts Lake.

Note: Triple T development is wanting voluntary annexation in the City of Sanger City Limits. This is a project Triple T brought to the City of Sanger.

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-  **MAKE SURE YOU HAVE WORKING SMOKE ALARMS ON EVERY LEVEL OF YOUR HOME**
-  **REVIEW YOUR FAMILY'S FIRE ESCAPE PLAN**
-  **KNOW TWO WAYS OUT OF EVERY ROOM**
-  **PICK A SAFE MEETING PLACE OUTSIDE**
-  **TEACH YOUR KIDS TO GET OUT AND STAY OUT**

IT ONLY TAKES A FEW MINUTES TO MAKE SURE YOUR FAMILY IS PREPARED — AND THOSE FEW MINUTES **COULD SAVE A LIFE.**

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, WE WILL BE SHARING MORE FIRE PREVENTION TIPS TO HELP KEEP OUR SANGER COMMUNITY SAFE!



Your Sanger Fire Department wants to remind everyone that fire safety starts at home! This week is a great time to:

- Test your smoke alarms
- Make sure you have working smoke alarms on every level of your home
 - Review your family's fire escape plan
 - Know two ways out of every room
 - Pick a safe meeting place outside
- Teach your kids to GET OUT and STAY OUT

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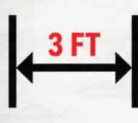
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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

SPACE HEATER SAFETY

As the temperatures start to cool down, space heaters will soon be making their way out of storage. Before you plug one in, **Sanger Fire Department** wants to remind everyone that a little prevention can make a **BIG** difference!

KEEP THESE SAFETY TIPS IN MIND:

-  Keep space heaters at least **3 feet away** from anything that can burn — blankets, curtains, furniture, clothing, and bedding.
-  Place heaters on a **flat, stable surface** where they won't tip over.
-  Keep **children and pets** a safe distance away.
-  Plug them directly into a wall outlet — **never** an extension cord or power strip.
-  **Never** leave a space heater running unattended or while you're sleeping.
-  Check cords and plugs for **damage** before using.
-  Always **TURN IT OFF** when you leave the room!

Space heaters can keep you warm, but only when they're used safely!

SANGER FIRE DEPARTMENT

PREVENTION STARTS AT HOME. STAY WARM. STAY SAFE.



Cooler mornings are coming, which means those space heaters are about to come out of storage! Before you plug yours in, Sanger Fire Department has a quick question: Is your space heater ready to heat safely?

Here's your safety checklist:

- Give it space! Keep heaters at least 3 FEET away from blankets, curtains, furniture, clothing, bedding, or anything else that can burn.
- Keep it on a flat, stable surface where it can't tip over.
- Wall outlet ONLY! Never use an extension cord or power strip.
- Don't leave it unattended — and never leave it running while you sleep.
- Keep kiddos and pets a safe distance away.
- Give that cord a quick check! If it's damaged, don't use it.
- Leaving the room? TURN IT OFF!

QUICK FIRE SAFETY CHALLENGE:

Take a look around your space heater right now. Can you give it a full 3-foot safety zone? If not, it's time to move a few things!

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Prevention starts at home. Stay warm. Stay safe.

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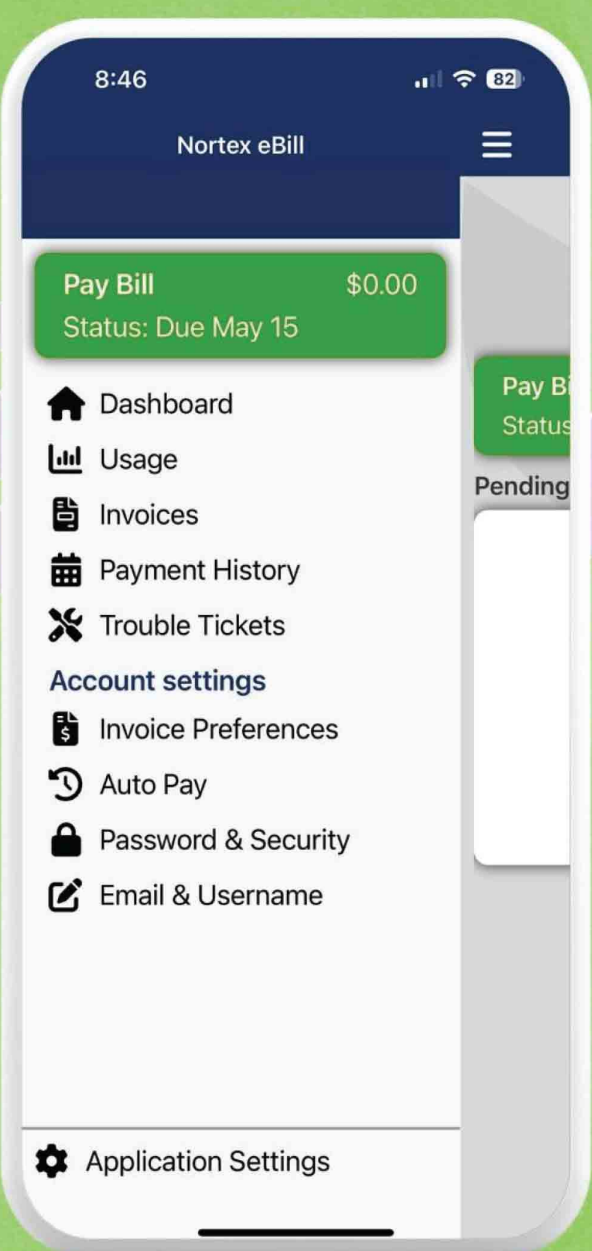
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