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400 Bolivar Street, Suite 311 in Historic Wilfong Building - Sanger, TX 76266

June 24, 2022





#### Freedom Fest adds more music acts and small coolers will be allowed

Join the City of Sanger on July 2nd at Porter Park for Freedom Fest, Sanger's annual 4th of July celebration. It's a FREE Event and small coolers are permitted. No larger than 14x7x12 and no glass containers.

This year features water slides, carnival rides, live music, plus food and merchandise vendors! Thirty-six vendors have already signed up. There is still time to be a vendor. See information below:

Concluding the evening will be the first-ever fireworks show! This is one event you certainly don't want

Stage Schedule: 4:00 PM Event Opens; 4:00 PM Tim Urban - American Idol season 9 finalist

5:30 PM Brandon Davis - Country Music Sensation who began his career on Instagram. He is now touring with Tim McGraw. He has an album released, "Hearts Don't Rust" and a second album released last month "Forever and Always".

7:00 PM Country Artist Tribute - Salute to Eric Church, Jason Aldean, Kenny Chesney

At Dark (approximately 9:30 PM) sit back, relax,



#### Local elephant that survived 100-year flood featured on WFAA Channel 8 news

An elephant that nearly drowned in a Texas flood more than 40 years ago recently allowed her caregivers to give her a bath despite her previous signs of fear of

Sissy, an elephant born in 1968, nearly drowned in record flooding in Gainesville, Texas in 1981. Known as Gerry II at the time, she survived being submerged underwater with only her trunk above water allowing her to breathe. More than 40 of the zoo's animals died the night of that flood.

Sanger residents remember the 100- year flood that brought record high water on Clear Creek and Duck Creek. The Elm Fork Trinity Creek runs by the Gainesville Zoo and feeds what is Lake Ray Roberts now. At the time FM 455 from Sanger to Pilot Point was flooded for weeks. The road flooded several times a year and there were already plans for the local lake to be built. Ray Roberts Dam began on May 31, 1982. The dam was completed and deliberate impoundment of water began on June 30, 1987.

Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee to give her a bath, which was the first bath on record since she arrived at the sanctuary in 2000.

On Sissy's bio page on the sanctuary's website, it the Frank Buck Zoo in Gainesville to replace the zoo's



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This month, Sissy allowed her caregivers with the said Sissy was initially captured in Thailand as a calf before appearing in the United States on exhibit at Six Flags Over Texas in 1969.

That same year, the amusement park sold Sissy to

most recent elephant, Gerry, that died. This is when Sissy was known as "Gerry II" for a period of time.

Sissy spent the next three decades at this Texas zoo. Many Sanger residents saw Gerry II (Sissy) when they visited the zoo.

The Gainesville zoo eventually moved Sissy to a Houston Zoo and later to an El Paso Zoo. Sissy's harsh treatment at the hands of her keepers was videotaped and leaked to the local press, according to the Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee. The decision was eventually made for Sissy to be retired to The Elephant Sanctuary.

Sissy arrived in Tennessee in January 2000. The sanctuary said Sissy was reserved and cautious at first. However, Sissy soon began to go farther out into the habitat and socialize with the other elephants, the sanctuary said. After several weeks, employees saw Sissy lying down in the habitat, which they said is "incredible news" because Sissy's previous keepers had not seen her lying down on her own in years.

After a year of treatment for tuberculosis and another year of follow-up, the sanctuary's vet and husbandry teams made the decision that Sissy would return to her long-time companions and social group in the sanctuary's Asia Habitat, which provides distance learn-

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#### **OBITUARIES..**

#### Jasmin Paloma Guardado

November 19, 1996 - June 10, 2022

Jasmin Paloma Guardado, 25, of Sanger, gained her angel wings on Friday, June 10, 2022, in Fort Worth, Texas. The daughter of Mabel Guardado and Mark Anthony Moncivaiz, Jasmin was born in Denton, Texas, on November 19, 1996. She attended school in Sanger and worked at CiCi's Pizza in Denton.

Jasmin was survived by her son, Elais Garcia of Sanger; her mother, Mabel of Mexico; her father, Mark Anthony of Grand Prairie; one sister Nayeli Fragoza of Sanger; two brothers, Jesus Guardado, Jr. and Daniel Guardado, both of Sanger. Additionally, she is survived by her maternal grandparents who raised her, Jesus, Sr. and Crescencia Guardado of Sanger, and paternal grandmother, Doris Moncivaiz of Grand Prairie.

A celebration of life service for Jasmin will be held at noon on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of Denton, located at 201 S. Locust Street, Denton, Texas. Rev. Martha Segundo will officiate the services

Arrangements are with Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. Online condolences may be offered at www. cokerfuneralhome.com.

#### Matthew Scott Bryant

June 27, 1992 - June 15, 2022

Matthew Scott Bryant passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at his home in Denton, TX. Matthew was born in Union City, Tennessee on

June 27, 1992 and grew up in Denton, TX. A graduate of Billy Ryan High School in 2010, Matthew was known for excelling in his classes. He was also known for his role as captain in Honor Guard where he was able to express his spiritedness and goofy antics. It is where he met the love of his life, Kayla, in physics class, and where they shared their high school adventures together in honor guard and drill team. Matthew's high intelligence and love



for studying lead him to pursue a bachelor's degree in mathematics which he was currently pursuing at Texas Women's University in Denton, TX.

To his friends and loved ones, Matthew was known for his incredibly kind heart, his intelligent mind, and his silly sense of humor. Matthew loved his friends and family dearly, and if any of them were in need he did everything he could and gave everything he had to make sure they were okay. Matthew enjoyed stand-up comedy and making everyone laugh with his dad jokes.

He found humor in hitting his friends and family with his jokes when least expected. When he came at them with, "a moth goes into a podiatrist's office", they knew they were in for a good laugh or even a groan, and that brought the biggest smile to his face. Because he was an intelligent man, Matthew was skilled at playing chess. He brought a chess board almost everywhere ready to play with anyone who enjoyed the game. If you ask anyone, they will tell you that it was quite difficult to beat him at the game. Matthew also has been and always will be known for his love of baseball ever since he was a baby. His heart always stayed true to the Atlanta Braves, but his favorite team was the Texas Rangers. One of his favorite memories was when he went to a Rangers game for his birthday with his wife Kayla and his Parents Karen and Pierce, where he got his baseball signed by David Murphy. Matthew was also very talented at playing the guitar, he enjoyed playing Radiohead the most, but the best music he ever played was the music he created on his own. The sounds he created from his guitar were beautiful enough to bring tears to your eyes. Matthew brought so much light into this world, and though he may be gone, his light will continue to shine through the hearts he has touched through his life. Because of the impact he has had on all our lives, Matthew will never truly be gone.

Matthew is survived by his loving wife, Kayla Bryant (Bennett) of Denton, TX; Mother and Step Father, Karen Gawne (Randall) and Pierce Gawne of Sanger, TX; Father, Dwayne Bryant of Enville, TN; brothers and sisters, Daniel Bryant-Gawne of Denton, TX, Keith Bryant of Denton, TX, Joshua Gawne of Denton, TX, Jessica DeMent (Gawne) of Southmayd, TX, and Jamie Gawne of Gainesville, TX; nephews and niece,

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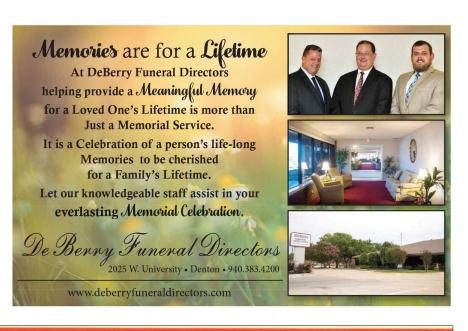
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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Juanita Lee Bowland

April 23, 1931 - June 19, 2022

Junita Lee Bowland. 91, of Fort Worth, began her walk on the Streets of Gold on June 19, 2022. The daughter of Walter Thomas Gaebler and Jesse Vivian (Morgan) Gaebler, Junita was born on April 23, 1931, in 5N1, Wilbarger County, Texas, near Lockett.

For 27 years, Junita worked at S. S. Kresge, which became K-Mart in 1977. Junita began attending the Pentecostal Church as a young adult in Vernon, Texas. There and in the White Settlement and also Hurst, she served as song leader, Ladies Auxillary Leader, and Sunday School Teacher for many years. In later years, she attended Grace Chapel United Pentecostal Church in Lake Worth.

Junita leaves behind her precious children,



Sheila G. Flanagan of Keller, Julie B. Woodard (Don) of Bells, Wenona G. Cloud (Russell) of Aubrey, Christine Bradley (Bryan) of Lake Worth, Anthony M. Bowland (Amy) of Sanger, and Jimmy W. Bowland of Texas. Also, surviving are 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and great-great great great-great-grandchil-

#### Azle and one sister, Vivian Baldwin of Revenna,

dren. In addition, her par-

from 10:00 am to 11:00 am on Thursday, June 23, 2022, at The Rock Church of Justin, followed by the funeral service at 11:00 am. Officiating the service will be Pastor Curtis Evans and Pastor Shane LeJeune. Grandsons Tyrone Flanagan, Steven Flanagan, Brandon Cloud, Antonio Cloud, Reid Cloud, Taylor Fielding, Ryan Bowland, Morgan Bowland, and Chandler Bowland will serve as pallbearers.

Memorial donations may be made to the Ladies Auxillary, at The Rock Church of Justin, 411

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#### **Bryant**

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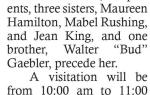
niece, Aiden Gawne of Sanger, TX, Corey Gawne of Denton, TX, Brenna Gawne of Denton, TX, Zachary DeMent of Southmayd, TX, Ripken DeMent of Southmayd, TX, Jerry Elmore of Gainesville, TX, and Caden Elmore of Gainesville, TX, grandparents; Judith Perrin of Enville, TN and Carol Bryant of Southfulton, TN; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Racheal (Maxwell) Hyman of Denver, CO and Tiffany (Danny) Roberts of Trenton; mother-in-law Kim Wozniak of Denton, TX; and fur-children, Riker and Ketone.

Matthew is preceded in death by his grandmother and grandfather, Charles and Martha Randall of Brunswick, GA; grandfather, Billy Joe Bryant of Southfulton, TN; and grandfather, Jimmy Perrrin of Enville, TN.

Visitation for Matthew was held Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. for family only, and a visitation for family and friends at 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. at Mulkey-Bowles-Montgomery Funeral Home at 705 N. Locust St., Denton, TX 76201. They came together to celebrate Matthew's life on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at New Life Church at 1350 Milam Rd., Sanger, TX 76226.

Flowers may be sent to Kayla Bryant and Karen Gawne. While flowers are welcome, the family also asks for donations to be sent to The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. So that they can honor Matthew's memory by helping others suffering from depression and suicidal thoughts.

https://supporting.afsp.org/campaign/Matthew-Bryant-s-Memorial-Fund



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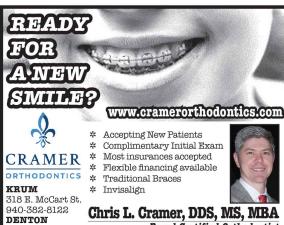
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An original copy of a July 23, 1970 Sanger Courier newspaper, collect-ed by the Sanger Historical Society and Sanger Public Library. Original copies are scanned, archived and are searchable in the new digital files.

The Sanger issues are searchable through The Portal to Texas History at https://texashistory.unt. edu/explore/collections/SANG/. Thousands of past issues are being added.



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#### **Corporal Steven Lehotsky retires**

Recenty, during a City Council Meeting, the Sanger Police Department honored and celebrated one of their own. Corporal Steven Lehotsky, holding a plaque, retired after 26-years of service. He started with the City of Sanger as a patrol officer however, most people know him as our School Resource Officer (SRO). Additionally, Lehotsky was awarded the Life Saving Award for his heroism on April 29th when he help a young man choose to live and not end his own life. Steve, you will be missed. From everyone at the Sanger PD and the City of Sanger, we wish you luck and happiness in your next chapter of life.

#### CITY OF SANGER POLICE REPORT May 31 - June 14, 2022



Sanger, Texas police logs show that officers responded to or assisted with 347 calls between May 31 and June 14. See the breakdown belo

May 31 and June 14.	See the breakdown b
Call Type	# of Calls
Officer Assist	
Assist EMS	4
Assist FD	
Assist Agency	7
Burg Building	
Burg Habitation	1
Burg Vehicle	1
Civil Matter	4
Parking Violation	
Crim Mischief	
Crim Trespass	2
Disturbance	1
Domestic	2
Follow Up	35
Forgery	
Homicide	2
Noise Complaint	2
Open Door	1
Parking Citation	
Road Hazzard	13
Robbery	
Special Detail	
Susp Person	6
Speed Assist	11
Theft	5
CID	
Shots Fired	
911 Hangup	2
Alarm Business	10
Alarm Residence	2
Accident Major	
Accident Minor	10
Animal Control	43
Assult	2
Abandoned Vehicle	5
Courtesy Ride	
City Ordinance Violation	14
Curfew Violation	
Disorderly Conduct	-
Deliver Message	
Deceased Person	
Poss Drug Parah	
Vacation Watch	10
Theft of Service	1

Call Type	# of Calls
Drug Offense	
Escort Funeral	
Fight in Progress	
Found Property	1
Fraud	3
Gunshots	
Harassment	
Harassment/Phone	
Intoxicated Person	
Juvenile Complaint	
Loose Livestock	2
Lost Property	
Motorist Assist	8
Meet Complaintant	20
Missing Child	
Missing Person	
Arrest	
Prowler	
Repossession	
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	
Runaway	
Suicide Attempt	3
Susp Circumstance	5
School Contact	3
Carbon Monoxide/Hazmat	2
Susp Vehicle	5
Sexual Assult	1
Deadly Conduct	
Theft/Shoplifting	
Terroristic Threat	
UUMV	
Welfare Check	16
Warrant/Other Agency	1
Meet Comp/Phone	9
Reckless Driver	8
Warrant/Sanger PD	1
Traffic Stop	4
Pursuit	2
Hit & Run	1
Animal Bite	1
Close Patrol	34
Walk-through/Building Check	22
Psych Episode	
Overdose	1





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eet Ricky Rincon, Customer Service Representative. If you have ever stopped by City Hall for anything, chances are you have met, Ricky. He is one of the first people to greet you when you walk through the doors.

Ricky grew up in Oak Cliff, a suburb of Dallas with a current population of just over 30,000 people. Ricky's mom remarried before his Junior year of high school, and with the new marriage and employment, the newlywed couple moved their blended family to Sanger. Having visited multiple times, Ricky knew

Sanger was night and day different from Oak Cliff. Still, he struggled through the transition.

Coming from the outskirts of Dallas, where the streets were never empty, and there was never a lack of something to do, Ricky never quite felt like he fit in. He recalled, "I was so excited to leave for college. I was offered the chance to serve as a Resident Advisor for my dormitory. They told me if I accepted the role, I would have to leave for Texas Tech early. I jumped at the chance."

Being the typical college attendee, Ricky changed his major a couple of times. He started in Petroleum Engineering. By his sophomore year, he had moved on to Agricultural Economics. Life in Lubbock agreed with Ricky. Soon he was making friends and enjoying life moving at a faster pace. Ricky recalled how he and his buddies would hang out and go to the football games. It was during this time that Patrick Mahomes was also in attendance. Ricky told me, "Initially, no one knew who Mahomes was. Then in 2015, he suddenly became a star. It is funny when I look back to when no one knew his name and see where he is now. To me, he is just someone that went to the same college that I did."

After his sophomore year, Ricky decided to take a break from college. Liking Lubbock, he went to work for O'Reilly's Auto Parts. After work, he spent much of his free time doing audio engineering for aspiring musician hopefuls. In 2016, desiring to be closer to his old friends and family, he moved back and settled in Denton.

In 2018, at the advice of Ricky's sister's husband, Ricky applied for a Public Works position with the City of Sanger. He was hired and went to work in the Water Division. Not being one to settle for very long and being someone who is constantly trying to do more, a position opened in Customer Service, so he applied and got the role, and that is where you can find him today. What's next for Ricky? Laughing, he said, "Maybe I will be City Manager." "On a more serious note, I would like to go back to school and finish my degree. Other than that, I'll have to see what comes next."

BY DONNA GREEN - Director of Marketing for the City of Sanger

#### ANGER WPA SEWING ROOM

Submitted by Sanger Area Historical Society.

Works Progress Administration (WPA) was established in 1933 under the order of President Franklin D. Roosevelt to provide work for unskilled women and prepare workers for private industry. WPA also employed unskilled men to carry out public works infrastructure projects such as school buildings, new hospitals, laying storm drains and sanitary sewer lines, new bridges, airfields, and planting trees. The WPA engaged women in sewing rooms that were located in larger cities (such as Fort Worth) and smaller towns such as Pilot Point, Lewisville, and Sanger. Job training was provided, and the average pay was \$35 a month for 140 hours of work. The federal government paid the salaries, with the cities and counties paying a percentage of the expenses.

This clothing was not sold. It was given to needy families during these difficult and lean years. A worker's average output was two and a half garments a day and included men's trousers, boys' coveralls, women's dresses, and baby clothing. In Fort Worth, only fifty dresses were made using the same pattern but had to be from different fabrics so that no two would be alike.

Sanger, Texas, became a part of this WPA effort in 1936, opening a sewing room in a two-story building (no longer in existence) located on 3rd Street between Bolivar and Elm Streets on the east side across from the old post office. Directly across from this sewing room building is now the location of the Sanger City Municipal Court. The upstairs of this WPA

Sewing Room building housed the telephone exchange owned and operated by L.B. Bailey and her son, Gordon. The building also housed the City's first firetruck on a portion of the first floor of the building.

Mrs. Hattie Lee (Coggin) Richardson was hired as the manager of the new WPA Sewing Room in Sanger, which began as a partial-year operation and in July 1936 became a full-time sewing room. Richardson was a noted seamstress and led the ladies of Sanger in sewing garments to be distributed through the WPA organization. The sewing room work began at 8 a.m. and they worked until 5 p.m. daily except Sundays. During the summer of 1937, the workers were able to earn up to \$600 per year. In late 1937 the Pilot Point and Lewisville sewing factories were converted to canneries for local produce to help feed the people needing assistance.

The only known photograph of the sewing room in Sanger shows a full room operation with as many as 15-20 women working each day. In the back of the room, dresses hanging in front of the windows appear to be completed garments, or perhaps they needed some extra trim or small details.

Hattie (Coggin) Richardson was married to John Teri Richardson, who passed away in 1947. Hattie and John had one son, Johnnie Lee Richardson, who became the postmaster in Sanger for many years after the retirement of the previous postmaster, John Nicholson. Hattie passed away in 1978, and her son,



Sanger WPA Sewing Room

Johnnie, passed away in 1980. Another example of a good family who had their roots in the Sanger community, always working for the benefit of the people.

#### CITY OF SANGER, TEXAS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Planning & Zoning Commission in the Historic Church Building, 403 N 7th Street, Sanger, Texas at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2022, and by the City Council on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Historic Church Building, 403 N 7th Street, for the purpose of considering the following: A Rezoning from Agricultural (A) to Business District 2 (B-2) of approximately 10.42 Acres of land, described as A1241A TIERWESTER, TR 46, within the City of Sanger, and generally located on the west side of N Stemmons Frwy approximately 660 south of Belz Rd. All interested citizens and property owners are hereby notified of their right to appear and be heard on this matter. Kelly Edwards, City Secretary, City of Sanger

#### CITY OF SANGER, TEXAS Notice is hereby given that the City of Sanger is seeking Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to rewrite/update the Zoning, Subdivision and Sign Ordinances. A

copy of the Request for Qualification may be picked up at 201 Bolivar Street, Sanger, TX 76266 between the hours of 7:30 am and 5:30 pm Monday through Thursday and 7:30 am and 11:30 am on Fridays. You may also request a copy by email at the address listed below and from the City of Sanger website, https://www.sangertexas.org/preview/comm\_dev\_home. All RFQ's need to be returned no later than 11:30 am Friday July 15, 2022. If you have questions concerning this RFQ please contact Ramie Hammonds, Development Service Director at 940-458-2059 or by email at rhammonds@sangertexas.org Kelly Edwards, City Secretary, City of Sanger

## The City of Sanger, Texas seeks professional services for full-service water storage and asset

**management.** A copy of the Request for Qualifications can be picked up at 201 Bolivar Street, Sanger, Texas 76266 between the hours of 7:30 am and 5:30 pm Monday through Thursday, and 7:30 am to 11:30 am on Fridays. You may also request a copy by email at the address listed below and from the City of Sanger website, www.sangertexas.org/page/public\_works\_RFQs. All RFQs need to be returned no later than 2:00 pm on July 20, 2022, late submission will not be accepted. If you have any questions concerning this RFQ please contact Jim Bolz, Public Works Director 940-458-2571 or by email: JBolz@sangertexas.org.

#### Sanger **Housing Report April 2022 Price Distribution** Median price \$0-\$99,999 | 0.0% 33.3% \$300,000 - \$399,999 \$400.000 - \$499.990 10.0% \$500,000 - \$749,999 | 0.0% \$750.000 - \$999.999 | 0.0% **Active listings** Closed sales 11 in April 2022 Days on market Months of inventory Days on market 45 Days to close 55 20 days less than April 2021 TR TEXAS REALTORS

#### Sales Tax

April taxes for February sales were \$177,783 Total FY 21/22 sales tax: \$1,553,981 vs \$1,440,104 for the same period last FY.

#### #SHOPSANGER

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#### **Elephant**

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Replying to @ElephantsTN

With a history of surviving a flood prior to her retirement, Sissy has previously shown signs of being fearful of water. Caregivers were thrilled that she was so willing to participate in a bath with a calm demeanor throughout!



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ing opportunities to schools and groups around the world. She returned in October 2019.

In contrast to the elephant the sanctuary said was reported to show signs of anxiety and fear when around water because of

when around water because of her experience with the Gainesville flood, the sanctuary's care staff said it frequently saw Sissy splashing and swimming in the ponds.

Sissy does not have full

use and range of motion of her trunk, according to the sanctuary. Even with a partially paralyzed trunk, Sissy can feed and water herself. She uses the end of her trunk to throw a hose up to her mouth and to crimp the hose to stop water flow if she is not ready to drink.

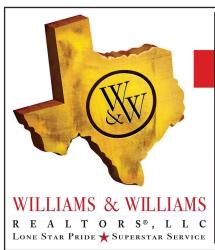
Sissy has a unique way of communicating by flipping the end of her trunk back and forth to make a "popping" sound, the sanctuary said. These "pops" are commonly heard when she is socializing or when there is a new device to interact with.













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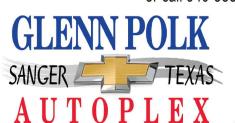
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#### **Financial FOCUS** By Allen Chick, **Edward Jones**

You could spend two, or even three, decades in retirement. So, to pay for all those years, you'll probably need to take full advantage of your retirement accounts. And in 2022, you may have expanded opportunities to deduct retirement plan contributions on your tax return.

Before looking at what's changed this year, let's review the key benefits of these accounts:

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457(b) for state and local government employees or a 403(b) for employees of public schools or nonprofit based on your income. groups) is generally fundings. Some employers offer a Roth 401(k), in which requirements as the Roth married filing jointly). IRA.

So, what's different

Roth IRA – You invest about these plans in 2022? after-tax dollars in a Roth First, consider the tradi-IRA, so your contributions tional IRA. If you - and won't lower your taxable your spouse, if you're married - don't have a you've had your account at can always deduct the full no matter what you earn. 401(k) - A 401(k) But if one or both of you or similar plan (such as a are covered by an employer-sponsored plan, then your deductions could be reduced or eliminated

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#### **SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS**

#### Sanger Indians Baseball Camp:

New Sanger High School baseball coach Yancarlo Palacios held the Sanger Indians baseball camp, recently. He's been an assistant at Pleasant Grove HS in Texarkana the last 5 years, which has been one of the best high school baseball programs in Texas. The Sanger News will do a profile on him in the coming weeks.

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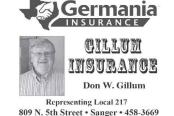
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#### **Sanger Education Foundation Grant** Patrol...

Sanger Education Foundation SURPRISING NINE grant recipients at Sanger ISD schools last month before the end of the school year. Total teachers and students impacted is almost EVERY SINGLE STUDENT and over 20 teachers! It was an incredibly special morning! In collaboration with the Sanger Education Foundation and our community partners, we were on grant patrol — surprising teachers and administrators at four different campuses with various grants. In all, the Sanger Education Foundation awarded nine different grants and three CTE awards for a total of \$45,513.33. These grants will go towards programs such as health sciences, space camp, rocket club, science lab equipment, E-sports and more! The Sanger News will recognize the recipients the next four weeks:





We think Michelle Parcels might be a little bit excited to have received her grant request for "SUPPLIES for SUCCESSFUL SCIENCE STUDENTS" awarded. Clear Creek Intermediate and Mrs. Parcels was awarded a grant in the amount of \$2390.60 for and to replace all kinds of science equipment and consumable supplies. Everything from Triple Beam Balance Scales to electric motors. From magnets to tuning forks. From Butterfly growing kits to hot plates. Grant was made possible by the Kerry Lee Schertz Family Endowment and the Dodie Montgomery Endowment.



Keeping it Green with our New Water Machine. Clear Creek Intermediate is going green with Water Bottle Refilling Stations. The Instructional Grant award in the amount of \$1445.37 with partial funding made possible by the Rusty Patton and Family Endowment and the Larry and Patricia Harberson Family Endowment. In light of COVID and the indirect impact it had on Campuses, keeping students hydrated became a big concern. The community of Sanger responded wit thousands of water bottles being donated all across Sanger ISD. As a result, installing water bottle refilling stations are not only cost effective but eliminates health concerns with keeping our kids safe from cross contamination all while reducing waste and teaching about conservation. Congrats to Clear Creek for this innovative and very much needed Instructional Initiative.



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## Registration For Upcoming 2022-2023 School Year Open

Parents who have not yet registered their child for the 2022-2023 school year are urged to do so as soon as possible!

Registration for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year opened earlier last month on May 2.

Sanger ISD strongly encourages families who have not yet registered for the upcoming school year to do so as soon as possible. Additionally, please remember Sanger ISD requires a few additional paper-based forms to be completed and returned to include the reinstatement of meal applications. Meal applications for the 2022-2023 school year will be made available during the events below.

#### Face-to-Face Registration Days for New and Returning Students

#### **High School and Middle School students:**

- August 1st from 8 am-4 pm (Returning Students)
- August 2nd 11 am-7 pm. (Returning Students)
- July 25th thru August 5th from 8 am-4 pm by appointment. Please call the campus to schedule your individual appointment. (New Students)

#### **Elementary Campus students (PK-6th Grade)**

- August 1st from 8:30 am-3:30 pm (New and Returning Students)
- August 2nd from 11:00 am-6 pm (New and Returning Students)
- August 4th from 8:30 am-3:30 pm (New and Returning Students) • If you are not available to attend any of these dates below please contact your

home campus to schedule an appointment. Computers will be made available to families who may need access and/or tech-

nical support in completing the online portion of their student's registration. Remember, your student's registration is not complete until all forms and documentation are submitted. Details about registration can be found by going to the Enrollment page on our website. You can also access the page by going to the following link: sangerisd.net/apps/pages/enrollment



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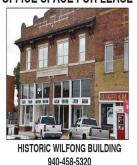
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#### **Investing**

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here's the key point: Compared to 2021, these ranges are \$2,000 higher for single filers and \$4,000 higher for those who are married and filing jointly - which means that this year, you might have more opportunities to make deductible contribu-

And a similar type of increase applies to Roth IRA eligibility. In 2022, if you're a single filer, you can put in up to \$6,000 (\$7,000 if you are 50 or older) in a Roth IRA if your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is less than \$129,000 - up from \$125,000 in 2021. Allowable contributions are reduced at higher income levels and phased out if your MAGI is \$144,000 or more, up from \$140,000 in 2021. If you're married and file jointly, the respective ranges are \$204,000-\$214,000, up from \$198,000-\$208,000 in 2021. Again, higher ranges may mean more opportunities for you. (Consult your tax advisor to determine your eligibility to contribute to a Roth IRA or make deductible contributions to a traditional IRA.)

And finally, the annual contribution limit for 401(k), 457(b) and 403(b) plans is \$20,500 - up \$1,000 from 2021. If you're 50 or older, you can put in an extra \$6,500 this year, for a total of \$27,000.

These changes may not seem monumental, but when you're saving for retirement, any opportunities to invest and potentially reduce taxes, of whatever size, can be valuable. So, review your options to determine how you can help yourself move closer to your retirement goals.

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