

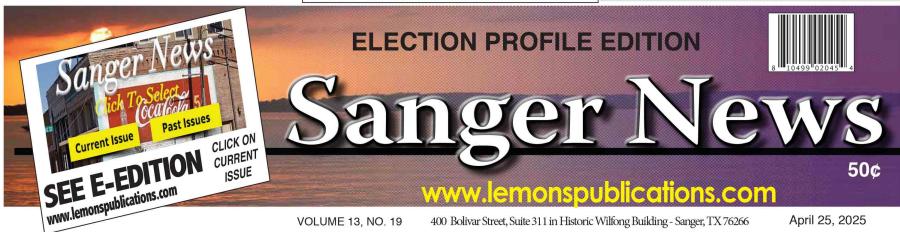


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April 25, 2025





The Sanger Police Department is proud to partner with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for National Prescription Drug Take Back Day! Safely dispose of your unwanted or expired prescription medications and help keep our community safe.

- Saturday, April 26th
- 10 a.m. 2 p.m.
- Sanger Police Department
- Bring your tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid prescription drugs for safe disposal.
  - Not accepted: Syringes, sharps, illicit drugs
  - Liquid products: Keep in original, tightly sealed containers

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# **City Council Place 3 Election Profiles:**

1. Name: DENNIS

DILLON

2. Age: 76 Son BRYAN DILLON (51) & wife JOLIE live in Ozark, MO; grandson LANE DILLON (27) & wife MALLORY & 2 perfect great-grandchildren COLBIE (4) & CASEY (16 mos)

4. Education: Bachelor's Accounting degree from Arkansas State University 1970

5. Profession/Title/Company: 30 years Self-Employed Accountant; prior to that 25 years in various resident of Sanger? 30 Years Accounting positions with Moore Business Forms, Inc.

6. How long have you been a resident of Sanger? Moved here in October 2005

7. Why did you choose to run for City Council? I am running for RE-ELECTION because the growth Sanger is experiencing requires CONSISTENCY in the decision-making process at the CITY COUNCIL level.

8. Why do you believe you are qualified for the seat of City Council? 2 years 4b Economic Development Board; 6 years Planning & Zoning Commission; 6 years City Council; 50+ years as an Accountant in the busi-

growth that is coming to Sanger? Must have up-to-date Code of Ordinances that includes Zoning Ordinances, Building Regulations, Sub-Division Codes, Sign Regulations, etc. Not only must the Code of Ordinances be up-to-date, they must be easy to understand & easy to access. The City Council along with the City Manager & staff are in the final stages of a year-long consultants' study of City zoning, building, & sign codes. These updated codes will soon come before the City Council for approval and then implementation.

10. Is it important to you to keep the property tax rate from rising for the residents of Sanger? Yes, I think 1. Name: Josh Burrus

2. Age: 37

3. Family (spouse's name, children's names and ages ) Daughters Colbie (8) Samantha

4. Education: Associates Degree in Applied Science Culinary Arts at The Art Institute of Dal-

Profession/Title/Company: Gas Service Technician/

CoServ 6. How long have you been a

7. Why did you choose to run for City Council? Growing up I watched my Dad Sam Burrus serve on the school board for Sanger ISD for 16 years and my grandfather John Coker serve as the Mayor of Sanger as well as the Justice of the Peace. I feel that it is my time to step up and serve my community to the best of my ability.

8. Why do you believe you are qualified for the seat of City Council? I have a passion for the town of Sanger and I want to see it grow with good quality businesses and help set it up to be a prospering town for my children and future generations.

9. What do you believe is the best way to control 9. What do you believe is the best way to control the the growth that is coming to Sanger? Growth is inevitable but we can help control the growth by limiting the amount of multi family units that are built as the town

> 10. Is it important to you to keep the property tax rate from rising for the residents of Sanger? Yes

> 11. Do you think our main street/downtown is healthy and successful? I think we have great businesses downtown but I would like to see our community rally behind the businesses that are downtown and support them better. I believe our downtown should be the focal point of Sanger.

12. If you received a \$2 million grant to use for the

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Note: The profile placement from left to right is positioned in order of the dates the candidates signed up, starting from earliest.

1. Name: Larry Terry Jr. 2. Age: 55

3. Family: Spouse/Lori Terry -Children / Marissa Marinan 33 / Alexis Terry 26/ Austin Terry 24

4. Education: Graduate of SHS Some College UNT and UNT Police Academy

5. Profession/Title/Company: Pre owned Manager Glenn Polk Autogroup

6. How long have you been a

resident of Sanger? Resident of Sanger for 42 years 7. Why did you choose to run for City Council? To

help with the direction of our town. 8. Why do you believe you are qualified for the seat of City Council? Years of experience in business and living

9. What do you believe is the best way to control the growth that is coming to Sanger? You can't control the

growth but we must get in front of it and direct it. 10. Is it important to you to keep the property tax rate from rising for the residents of Sanger? It is very important to control the property tax rate as much as we can.

11. Do you think our main street/downtown is healthy and successful? Downtown is starting to get where it needs to be but could improve.

12. If you received a \$2 million grant to use for the city any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why? We need the infrastructure for growth.

13. Where are your favorite places to spend time in town? Uptown, Babe's Chicken and Miguelito's

14. What do you believe are the most important projects to be started or completed in the next two years for Sanger ISD? Fixing the new Ag Barn, finishing the high school. And a sports complex.

15. Please feel free to add any additional information you want voters to know? I really feel like family has always been the backbone of our town and that needs to stay a priority. Growth in inevitable but keeping the towns spirit is crucial.



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# **OBITUARIES.**

### "Gwen" Mays Amyx

November 23, 1940 - April 17, 2025

Frances Gwendolyn "Gwen" Mays Amyx, 84, widow of Douglas L. Amyx and resident of Greenwood, passed away April 17, 2025.

Born November 23, 1940, in Denton, Texas, she was the daughter of the late Frances Ozella Giles Coffey and Francis Atkins Mays. She was a 1958 graduate of

Sanger High School and attended Cooke County Junior College. She retired from sales and ad manager at J.C Penney. She was a member of Rice Memorial Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for many years. She was an exceptional seamstress and crafter.

Gwen was Past Matron of Mary Pinckney Ouzts Chapter No. 1, Order of the Eastern Star, in Greenwood. She was Past Royal Matron, Rose Court No. 13, Order of the Amaranth, in

Laurens, and served the Grand Court of South Carolina in various positions. She served as Mother Advisor of Greenwood Assembly No. 33, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, for over 35 years, and as a Grand Deputy. She was awarded the Grand Cross of Color in

In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by a sister, Earlene Fouch.

Surviving to cherish her memory are the joys of her life--her children Dedra (Dan) Hart of Hartsville, SC, Douglas K. (Sandi) Amyx of Greenwood, SC, Darrett (Brian Clark) Amyx of Atlanta, GA, Desiree' (Joe) Jordan of Hood River, OR, Devlin (Rene) Amyx Sr. of Greenwood, SC, Denee' (Eric) Hayes of Pittsburgh, PA, and special daughter Mandy (Herbie) Dixon of Greenwood, SC; grandchildren Chelsi (Kyle) Friddle, Creighton (Erivious Payne) Amyx, Sullivan (Keirnan Buddendeck) Mackintosh, Davis Mackintosh, Devyn (Reid) Dixon, DJ (Brittany Templeton) Amyx, and Elliott, Adelle, and Vivian Hayes; ten great grandchildren and an eleventh to arrive; sister Shirlene Theobald of Gainesville, TX; five nieces and nephews; and several great nieces and nephews.

The family received friends at Rice Memorial Baptist Church in Greenwood, SC, from 1:00 until 3:00 pm on Saturday, April 19. Rev. Dale Levan officiated the fu-

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neral service immediately afterward.

Pallbearers were Devlin Amyx Jr., Elliott Hayes, Tim Fleming, Dewey Cook, Billy Thompson, Walker Moore, and Jerry Carver. Honorary escorts are Friends in Faith Sunday School Class, Majority members of IORG, Mary Pinckney Ouzts Chapter No. 1 OES, and Rose Court No. 13 Order of the Amaranth.

A visitation at Coker Funeral Home in Sanger, TX was held Wednesday, April 23 from 1:30 – 2:30pm with a graveside service to follow at 3:00pm at Sanger Cem-

The family appreciates the care provided by Crescent Hospice and family friend Crystal Collins.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Rice Memorial Building Fund, 1975 Hwy 72 West, Greenwood, SC 29649

Greenville Unit Shriners Children's, 950 W Faris Rd, Greenville, SC 29605

Color Club for SC IORG 2028 Supreme Session c/o Ronald C. Mitchum, 301 Hickory Hill Trail, Elgin,

### Britne Michelle

April 4, 2001 - April 16, 2025

On Wednesday, April 16, 2025, Britne Michelle transitioned from Earth to Glory, to reunite with her Father, Abdul Hardison; her Grandmother's Rozella Williams and Pamela Cooper; her Grandfather, Eddie Williams. Aunt Shirley Cooper; Uncle Velesta Williams, Cous-

in's, Brittany Williams and Aspen Simon. Britne Michelle was the fifth born child of Kim and

Abdul Hardison, in Dallas, TX on Wednesday, April 4, 2001. Britne accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was Baptized at the New Life Church.

Britne attended Denton and Sanger public schools, graduating from Sanger High School. Britne loved animals, her desire was to pursue her education as a veterinarian.

Britne enjoyed helping and working with people with special needs, She worked at Denton State Living Center, and worked at Whataburger.

Britne loved to eat, and her favorite food was Chinese. She loved to read all types of novels. She enjoyed being outside, enjoying nature. She loved to sing, listen to music and she also played the flute. She would often play chess with her late father and her BESTIE, Edalyn. the was a winner at chess. But, her favorite time was hanging out with her BESTIE, Edalyn.

Britne's favorite holiday was Christmas where she was able to be with her Family having fun.

Britne will forever be missed by: Her Mother, Kim Hardison of Denton, TX.; Sister's: Tadriana Williams (Atlanta, GA.), Canisha Williams (Arlington, TX.), Genae Williams (Atlanta, GA.), Edalyn Hardison (Denton, TX.), Brothers: Zavyon Hardison (Sanger, TX.), and Karry Washington (Denton, TX.).

Aunts: Zella Williams-Brown, Regina Evans, Joyce Williams-McAfee, Trina Williams-Montanez, Muffin Cooper and Stephanie Cooper. Uncles: Eddie W. Williams, Rondie Williams, Dwight Williams, Michael Williams and Eric Williams.

Her Bestie, Edalyn Hardison, Niece: Karianna Williams; Nephews: Kenyaire, Kairian and Dallas Williams. A host of cousin's and friends

Visitation: Viewing: 4/25/2025, 12 pm-6 pm, Peoples Funeral Home & Chapel, 1122 E. Mulberry Street, Denton, Texas 76205

Service details: 04/26/2025, 10:00

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We will meet at the Amphitheater located at the Denton County Administrative Courthouse, near loop 288, in Denton, The Address is: One Courthouse Drive, Denton Texas 76208

We begin with music at 11:30 am to lift our spirits and prepare our hearts At noon the program will begin. Prayers will be offered for our Country. Her leaders, representatives and continue with prayers offered over Israel, business leaders, children, teachers, veterans, first responders, the media and entertainment, families and the unborn,

churches, pastors and Christian leaders

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### Leslie Beth Clark

October 10, 1950 - April 13, 2025

Leslie Beth Clark, 74, of Tioga, TX, passed away Sunday, April 13, 2025 in Tioga. Leslie was born October 10, 1950 in Denton, TX to Harold and Alicia Ann

(Acker) Marion. She married Lawrence Merzon Clark in Tioga on February 20, 2000.

Leslie graduated from Texas Women's University in Denton, TX in 1988. She worked for Denton State Supported Living Center as a Qualified Intellectual Disabilities Professional from 1990 to 2014. Leslie started a second career as a teacher, in 2015, which had been a longtime dream of hers. She started her teaching career at Gainesville ISD and went on to

teach at Sanger ISD. At her passing, she was employed at Pilot Point High School. She absolutely LOVED her students!

Leslie was actively pursuing a third career, taking online courses to become a Certified Medical Coder. She genuinely enjoyed continuing her education!

She loved her family more than anything in the world. She especially adored being a "Mimi' to her grandkids and great-grand baby.

Leslie is survived by her son, Austin Dill and wife Amy of Van Buren, MO; daughter, Brandi Grace and husband Ronnie of Sanger, TX; four grandchildren, Cole Grace, Fallon Grace-Webb and husband Tyler, Brodie Dill, and Jacob Dill; and great-grandchild, Ivy

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harold and Alicia; husband, Merzon; two brothers, Tom and Mark Bounds; and granddaughter, Mya (Dill).

Visitation was held 6:00PM-7:30PM, Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at Slay Memorial Chapel in Aubrey, TX. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

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

'Come all you who are thirsty, come to the water."

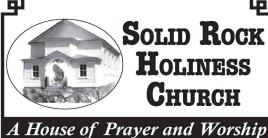
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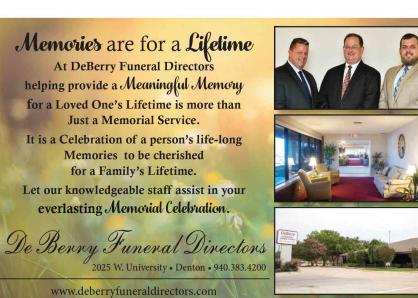
















There are so many great shops in downtown Sanger to come check out and support in the upcoming Ladies' Night Mixer - Friday, April 25th, starting at 5:30pm. Each spot will be open late and many will have additional activities and treats going on especially for this event! Come as you are, connect with the local community, and Shop & Stroll Downtown Sanger! Join us for heart shaped pizza at Uptown Rail Brewery. Lots of sales at Vintage Variety, Gypsy Cowgirl & Everythaang Gifts & Logos. Come see not on the great stuff at Dollhouse Hair Studio but also the other vendors that will be there. TnT Flowers and Gifts and Cultivated Chaos will be participating as well.

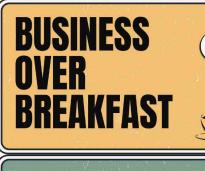
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Early voting for the Sanger City Council and School Board started this week. It runs through April 29. Election Day is Saturday, May 3, 2025. You can early voted at the Sanger Community Center at 101 Freese Drive. See times and dates below: You can also vote at 39 other locations in Denton County during early voting. Go to www.votedenton.gov/ to and click on early voting locations. The Election Day polling site will be at the Sanger Community Center, also, from 7 am - 7 pm.

### **EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE DAYS AND HOURS**

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April (abril) 22 - 26 Tuesday - Saturday (martes - sábado) April (abril) 27 Sunday (domingo) April (abril) 28 - 29 Monday - Tuesday (lunes - martes)

MORE **ELECTION PROFILES ON** PAGE 6:

### **Dennis Dillon**

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it is important to keep property taxes from rising. At the same time, I think it is important to keep property taxes from being lowered as property taxes are a major source of revenue for the City of Sanger.

11. Do you think our main street/downtown is healthy and successful? Yes, I think the new businesses, restaurants, & shops in downtown Sanger speaks for itself. Moving the Sanger Farmers Market to downtown is a great thing for not only downtown but also the entire City of Sanger.

12. If you received a \$2 million grant to use for the city any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why? That's easy STREETS

13. Where are your favorite places to spend time in town? Enjoy our parks with our 4 year-old great granddaughter & our dog Bonnie as well as the many great restaurants. When going out to eat, there is no need to go anywhere else than right here in Sanger.

14. What do you believe are the most important projects to be started or completed in the next two years for Sanger ISD? Because I am a member of the Sanger City Council I cannot speak for the SISD. I would think completion of the building projects including the new high school along with completion of the 455 expansion are important for not only the SISD but the entire Sanger community.

15. Please feel free to add any additional information you want voters to know? I hear a lot of talk about growth, both good & bad. The fact is that growth is here & will be even more so in the future. We can get excited about the new grocery store, 455/I-35 expansion, downtown development as well as new residential & retail development. But we must now forget what I call the elements of livability. Livability elements includes infrastructure (electric, water, sewer, & streets), public safety (Police & Fire) as well as efficiency & transparency in local government. I think the current City Council is working hard with the City Manager, our City Staff & City Attorney to address these livability elements. We must put a high priority on these livability elements to stay ahead of the growth & maintain the small town attitude that we all love about Sanger

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### **Josh Burrus**

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city any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why? I would like to apply that money towards the Sanger Fire Department to help them build another station. Our fire department covers a very large area out of just one station.

13. Where are your favorite places to spend time in town? I love our downtown area, the shops and restaurants. My daughter's favorite places for us to go are Uptown Creamery for ice cream, Vintage Variety for tea parties and the playgrounds at Porter Park and Switzer

14. What do you believe are the most important projects to be started or completed in the next two years for Sanger ISD? The technology programs have a special place in my heart. I am heavily involved with the Auto Tech program and look forward to their new shop being completed for the next school year, the culinary program is growing and thriving and I look forward to seeing the cosmetology program get started with their

15. Please feel free to add any additional information you want voters to know? I am a father to twin daughters, a Christian and I attend Riding For The Brand Cowboy Church. I love our community, I believe in shopping local and supporting our local businesses.

### City and school elections have unopposed candidates

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 3, 2025 will be the General Election to elect three places on the Sanger City Council. The City Council consists of a Mayor and five Council Members, all of whom are elected at large. Positions are numbered one through five consecutively. The terms of the Mayor and Council members shall be for two years. The Mayor and Council Places 2 and 4, shall be elected in even numbered years, and Council Places 1, 3, and 5 shall be elected in odd numbered years.

Incumbent Victor Gann filed for Place 5 on Jan. 24 and incumbent Dennis Dillon (Place 3) filed on Jan. 29. Josh Burrus, also filed for Place 3 on Feb. 10th and Larry Terry filed for Place 3, as well on Feb. 13th.

Marissa Barrett (Place 1 incumbent) filed on February 14th, on the last day to file.

Barrett and Gann are unopposed.

An election for two places on the Sanger ISD School Board will be held, as well on May 3, 2025 for the purpose of: Selection one each for Sanger ISD Board of Trustee: Place 4 - (3 yr. Term) currently held by Jesse Hunter; Place 5– (3 yr. Term) currently held by Lisa Cody. Drew Hall is running for Place 5. Incumbent Hunter is unopposed. See Cody and Hall Profiles on page 6.



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### **EARLY VOTING HAS STARTED**

For Additional Information, including hours and polling locations https://www.votedenton.gov/.../current-and-upcoming.../ #VoteEarly #YourVoiceMatters #CivicDuty #Election2025

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# Sanger, TX Parks and Recreation PHOTOS AVAILABLE

City of Sanger Facebook Page

🐣 📷 The Easter Egg-Apalooza photo album is here! We had such a blast celebrating with all of you—and now you can relive the fun! 🔉 Check out all the egg-citing moments captured during the event. Click here to view and download your photos: https://discoversangertx.com/3Gjsz9D

Visit DiscoverSanger.com and head to the "Albums" section.

Tag your friends, share your favorites, and don't forget to tell us which part of Egg-Apalooza was your favorite! № 💥 🧡 #discoversanger #eastereggapalooza #sangertx #CommunityFun



### DGREEN310.WIXSTUDIO.COM Easter Egg-Apalooza

Easter Egg-Apalooza. Easter Egg-Apalooza on April 12th, 2025. photos by Sanger Park...



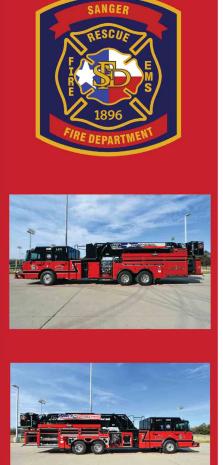
# **PUSH IN CEREMONY**

Come be a part of history as we welcome Ladder 671 to the Sanger Fire Department the first-ever aerial apparatus for the City of Sanger!

**Date:** May 28, 2025 Time: 3:30 P.M. Location: 200 Elm St.

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### **New School** Zone & **Pedestrian Crossings Alert!**

Heads up! Our Streets Department has started installing new School Zone signs and Pedestrian Crossings near the schools to help keep our students safe.

These upgrades are designed to improve visibility, create safer crossings, and prioritize community safety especially for kids walking and biking to school.

- Some are already in
- More are on the way, but installations will happen in
- Not every school will see updates at the same time, so we appreciate your patience!

If you don't see a new crossing near your school yet, it may be coming soon. In the meantime, please slow down, stay alert, and follow all school zone signage to help protect our kids.











# APPLICATIONS OPEN

The City of Sanger is accepting applications for Board and Commission members

Parks & Recreation / Keep Sanger Beautiful Board Library Board Planning & Zoning Commission

Board of Adjustment

### **Economic Development Boards**

Type A – Sanger Industrial Development Corporation

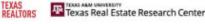
Type B – Sanger Texas Development Corporation

If you are interested in serving the community, complete an application online - https://bit.ly/41rNZbu/ Applications will be accepted until June 2, 2025.



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# **School Board Place 5 Election Profiles:**

- 1. Name: Lisa Cody
- 2. Age: 64

years

- 3. Family (spouse's name, children's names and ages): I've been married to Scott Cody for 39 years, we have 2 daughters, Heather, her fiancé Derek, and grandson Cody, and Courtney, her husband Hamish, and granddaughters Heidi and Maizie. Both graduates of Sanger ISD and my grandson is now a new Sanger Indian!
- Education: After my high school graduation I joined the workforce.
- 5. Profession/Company: Business owner, LSC Preci-
- sion Inc. 6. How long have you been a resident of Sanger? 29
- If elected to a seat on the School Board, what are your goals and objectives? Managing rapid growth responsibly, supporting teachers and ensuring every student has access to a high-quality education in a safe, support-
- ive environment. 8. What motivates you to want to become a board member? I am a grandparent of a student in this district. My commitment to our schools is both personal and passionate. I'm motivated to serve on the school board because I want every child—not just my own grandchild—to have the opportunity to succeed.
- 9. What do you believe are the most important projects to be started or completed in the next two years for Sanger ISD? I believe some of the most important projects for Sanger ISD should focus on continuing to strengthen both academics and school safety. Also, over the next two years, it's essential that we not only complete the new high school successfully, but also begin planning for the next phase of growth - with every child's future in mind.
- 10. What do you think is expected of you as a board member? As a School Board Member, I believe I'm expected to serve as a representative of the community/ parents, be a good steward of public funds, and an advocate for all students and staff.
- 11. What 2 specific things would you most like to see changed pertaining to the school system? I'd like to see more open communication between the district and families, and for parents to feel more welcome and involved on school campuses. Strong partnerships lead to stronger schools.
- 12. What are your most important overall goals for Sanger ISD? Plan for growth, continue to maintain high academic standards, and prioritize student safety and well-being.
- 13. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities? The school board sets goals, adopts policies, hires and evaluates the superintendent, approves the budget and tax rate, and communicates with the community.
- 14. What is your vision for education in this community? My vision for education in this community is for the district to continue to aim for excellence, ensuring that every student has access to the resources, support, and opportunities they need to succeed.
- 17. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role: Yes, I understand the role of the superintendent. The superintendent manages the day-to-day operations, ensures schools run smoothly, carries out the school board's policies, oversees staff and the budget, and helps make decisions that support student success.
- 18. Please feel free to add any other information you want voters to know about your candidacy? I would be honored to continue serving on the school board. With experience as a board member, 15 years as a district employee, a parent of two graduates, and now a grandparent of a current student, I understand the needs of our students, staff, and community from multiple perspectives. I've seen both the challenges and the progress firsthand, and I remain committed to helping our district grow stronger. I care deeply about our schools and will continue to work hard to support student success, staff excellence, and open communication with families.

- 1. Name: Drew Hall
- Age: 39 Family (spouse's name, children's names and ages): Mandy, Kynadi/18, KJ/6
  - 4. Education: Sanger High School
- Profession/Company: Real Estate Broker / Hall Real Estate
- Custom Home Builder / DHCI Don Hall Construction Inc.
- 6. How long have you been a resident of Sanger? Since
- If elected to a seat on the School Board, what are your goals and objectives? My goal is to be an asset to the

board and community. My objectives would be to help improve student achievement and support teachers and staff which, with supporting teachers and staff, will improve student achievement. But also ensure fiscal responsibilities, strengthen the community engagement and further focus on career and college readiness

- 8. What motivates you to want to become a board member? To give back to the community and ISD that helped me become the person that I am today.
- What do you believe are the most important projects to be started or completed in the next two years for Sanger ISD? Sanger ISD will have significant growth and transformation over the next few years. We are nearing the completion of the new high school which will be a huge help to the district. With projections indicating an increase of over 1000 students in the next decade, we must plan now for the growth. This includes staffing needs and potential expansions to maintain quality of learning.
- 10. What do you think is expected of you as a board member? First and foremost, advocate for the students, teachers and staff. Ensure policies support student achievement and approve strategic plans and academic goals that reflect the community's values and priorities.
- 11. What 2 specific things would you most like to see changed pertaining to the school system? I'd like to see the district continue to be one of the best in Texas.
- 12. What are your most important overall goals for Sanger ISD? Again, support teachers and staff to improve student achievements.
- 13. What do you see as the board's roles and responsibilities? Help set vision and goals. Adopt policies. Oversee the budget. Ensure accountability. Engage and represent the community
- 14. What is your vision for education in this community? Being from Sanger, there is always a sense of pride and tradition, trust and integrity, faith, community and uniqueness which reflects the community's commitment to student development which I still see today
- 17. Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role: Lead the district in operations. Drive academic achievement. Hire and supervise staff. Be the public spokesperson. Implement board policies. Advise and support the school board.



- · Vacation Bible School style Bible lessons, arts & crafts, fun & games, recess on the outside playground, free time in the gym, and trampoline time!
- Ages: 3 & potty-trained thru 12 years old! No nap. Send a lunch & drink every school day! Children are divided into classrooms by age.
- When: 9:30 AM-2:30 PM. June Session: 6/2, 6/6, 6/9, 6/13, 6/16, 6/20, 6/23, 6/27. July Session: 7/7, 7/11, 7/14, 7/18, 7/21, 7/25, 7/28 and 8/1. Options: June only, July only, or BOTH months.
- Cost: \$450 TOTAL for both sessions... that's 16 school days! \$250 for one month only (choose June or July). First child pays normal price; siblings get \$20 off only if both sign up for both months.
- Add a tumble or dance class Mondays and pick up at 3:30 for an extra \$50 a month (regular class price is \$65)!

### SATURDAY STUNT & TUMBLE CLINICS!

- April 26, May 10, June 21, &
- July 19! \$25 each. 9-10:30 AM ages 5-10 (10 with
- no/little experience)!
- 10:30 AM-12 PM ages 10-19! Pre-registration allows us to
- add staff as needed!
- Tumble with Coach Tyler & Stunt with Coach Chip & other Buzy Body / CX Staffers!

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### LUWBLE

- June 10-12, 9:00-12:00.
- Tumbling drills and skills, stretching, conditioning, and trampoline! Get those new skills you have been working on!
- Parents are welcome to come to a show-off the last 20 minutes of the last day!
- · Ages: 4-18 years old! All skill levels! Adv-Elite will move into the CX gym during the camp so they can use the full floor!
- Campers will be divided into groups
- by level. · Cost: \$95/first child; \$85/siblings.

- June 17-19, 9:00-12:00.
- This camp is ALL ABOUT CHEER: motions, dance, jumps, tumbling, & stunting!
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- Parents are welcome to come to a show-off the last 20 minutes of the last day!
- Ages 4-12 years old!

- June 24-26, 9:00-12:00.
- Dance to the most popular songs from "Moana 1-2" (tap, ballet, jazz, hip hop & creative movement)!
- Parents are welcome to come to a show-off the last 20 minutes of the last day!
- Ages: 3 & potty trained to age 14! No experience necessary.
- Campers will be divided by age.
- Cost: \$95/first child; \$85/siblings.

- July 15-17, 9:00-12:00.
- Campers will paint, draw, mold, create, & build under the direction of certified art teacher and resident artist, Mrs. Rachel.
- Ages 5-12 years old!
- Cost: \$150/first child; \$140/siblings (camp price includes art supplies & shirt).

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# KINDER CAMP

### July 8-10, 9:30-2:30.

- Check out our Kindergarten Readiness Camp with degreed, certified teachers!
- Reading readiness skills, counting & simple math, science experiments, pencil & scissor skills, and more!
- Ages: 4-7 years old.
- Cost: \$150/first child; \$140/siblings.

### CONDITIONING CAMP

- Come work out with Coach Tyler!
- Mondays & Fridays 8:00-9:30 AM! Starts on 6/2 and runs thru 8/1 (closed week of 7/4)!
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- July 22-July 24, 9:30-2:30.
- FUN! FUN! FUN! Fun & games in the gym with tramps, rock wall, obstacle course, and outdoor fun & activities on our awesome playground!
- Ages: 3 & potty trained through age
- Campers will be divided by age.
- Cost: \$150/first child; \$140/siblings.

### Former SHS student makes cut on American Idol

Breanna Nix, a former Sanger High School student revealed earlier this week that she was shocked to make it through the cut to 14 on American Idol, writing in a post, "I've been fighting through allergies and nerves! What a MOMENT. AH. How is this possible!?!? Singing to celebrate!! YAY! I will never forget this. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU AMERICA for voting for ME. I am truly so honored! I am working and pushing myself so extremely hard. Thank you!!"

The show says she is from Denton, but Sanger teachers and friends knew her as Breanna Manning at Sanger High School before she got married after she graduated.



Breanna (back row, second from the left), pictured with the contestants and Jelly Roll.







Breanna (back row, second from the left), pictured with the contestants and Carrie Underwood.

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Here are the store links: Butterfield Elementary Store Link: http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/gs/1177432 Chisholm Trail Elementary Store Link: http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/gs/99770 Clear Creek Elementary Store Link: http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/gs/99859 Sanger Middle School Store Link: http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/gs/1178619



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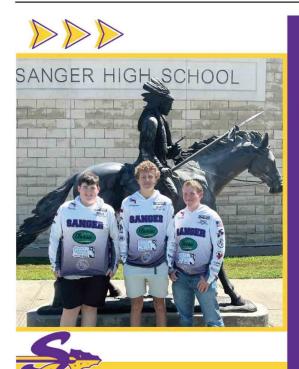
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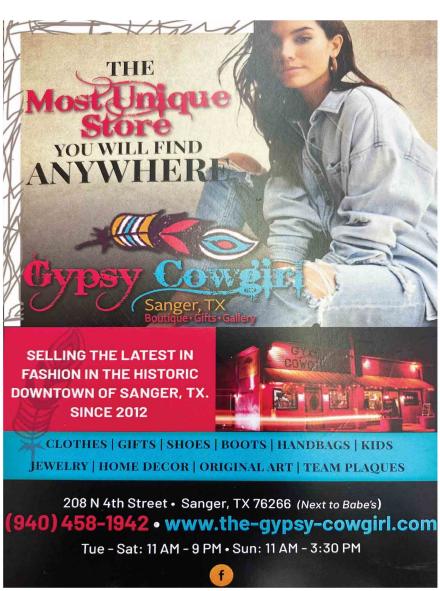
THEY WILL COMPETE IN THE THSBA REGIONAL BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT SATURDAY APRIL 26TH AT LAKE LEWISVILLE

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### SHS Bass Fishing Team Regional Qualifiers!

Cheer on Noah Horn, Colton Wernimont, and Jaxon Kish as they represent Sanger High School in the THSBA Regional Bass Tournament this Saturday, April 26th, at Lake Lewisville! These talented anglers have put in the work, and now it's time to cast for the win. Good luck!

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# Nearly \$20,000 raised already for Stephen Baker Memorial statue

A big Thank You to the April Donors!!!! We are almost to the \$20,000 mark after only 3 months. The task is to raise

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**Honoring Stephen Baker:** A Legacy in Bronze

The Stephen Baker Memorial Committee is raising funds for a bronze statue to be located at the newly named Stephen Baker Field at Indian Stadium. The Statue is more than just an artistic endeavor, it is a symbol intended to inspire future generations and remind them of Stephen's unwavering character and integrity.

### Celebrating Character:

Stephen is remembered for his STEPHEN BAKER MEMORIAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS steadfast moral compass and his commitment to ethical principles. It is our hope that after everyone who has a living memory of Stephen is gone, this statue will make students take the time to learn about Stephen and be reminded that while athleticism is often the goal, qualities like character, integrity and compassion are the key.

### Why Bronze?

Bronze was chosen for its durability and timeless appeal. The choice was made to reflect the enduring impact of Stephen's legacy.

### **How Can You Help?**

Your contribution will play a crucial role in bringing this vision to life. By supporting this initiative, you will help create a lasting tribute that continues to inspire for gener-

### Ways to Contribute:

Monetary Donations: Every Contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to our goal. Visit our FB and click on the QR code to make a donation by credit card or Make Checks payable to Sanger Area Historical Society (make a note, for Stephen Baker Memorial) and mail to 211 N. Fifth Street, Sanger, TX 76266. Your donation is tax deductible.

### Spreading the Word:

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### **PLAYOFF BOUND....** SHS Indians baseball finishes 7-3 in district

First year head coach Curtis King and the Sanger varsity players have secured a playoff spot, going 7-3 in district. They beat Van Alstyne last Friday 8-2 and Gainesville on Tuesday 6-3. They clinched a top seed in the Class 4A Division II playoffs, which start the first week of May.

Reed Sebastian earned the win against Van Alstyne. He pitched 6 innings, only giving up 4 hits and 1 ER, while striking out 3. Marcus Martinez got the save, finishing the game with no walks, 1 hit and 1 SO. Creedon Boerner led Sanger with 3 hits and 2 RBI; Levi Hendricks had 2 hits and 2 RBI and Sebastian drove in a run. Kale Barr finished with 2 hits.

Against Gainesville, Kade Phillips got the win, going 5 innngs with 3 Ks, 3 ER and 2 walks. The Leopards only managed 5 hits off of him. Martinez pitched the final two innings with no hits, walks and 2 Ks.

Twister Wilson led Sanger with 3 hits followed by Levi Hendricks (2 hits, 1 RBI), Luke Hendricks (2 hits, 1 RBI), Riley Tarwater (2 hits, 2 RBI) and David McKeown (1 hit, 1



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# **Hughey and Musgrave medal at** regionals, just miss out on state



Farah Hughey placed third in the 1600 meters at the Class 4A Region II Track Meet held at A&M Commerce last week. She ran a personal best time of 5:28.35 and just missed out on making it to state by a few seconds. **SEE SANGER RESULTS BELOW:** 

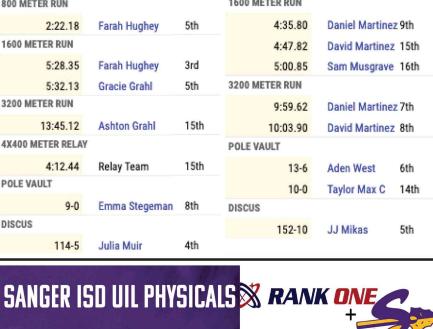
Note: There were 16 competitors and relay teams in each event:

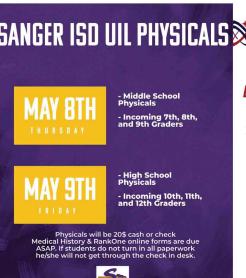


Sam Musgrave placed third at the regional track meet in Commerce in the 800 meters. He ran a 1:57.58 and was just edged out for silver by Noah Zarate of Canton (1:57.55). The top two places advance to state in Austin

Photo Credit: Hope Hughey, @flicks.byhope

| GIRLS             | ATHLETE          | PLACE      | BOYS           | ATHLETE         | PLACE |
|-------------------|------------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|-------|
| 400 METER DASH    |                  |            | 800 METER RUN  |                 |       |
| 59.74             | Taylor Galbreath | 10th       | 1:57.58        | Sam Musgrave    | 3rd   |
| 800 METER RUN     |                  |            | 1600 METER RUN |                 |       |
| 2:22.18           | Farah Hughey     | 5th        | 4:35.80        | Daniel Martinez | 9th   |
| 1600 METER RUN    |                  |            | 4:47.82        | David Martinez  | 15th  |
| 5:28.35           | Farah Hughey     | 3rd        | 5:00.85        | Sam Musgrave    | 16th  |
| 5:32.13           | Gracie Grahl     | 5th        | 3200 METER RUN |                 |       |
| 3200 METER RUN    |                  |            | 9:59.62        | Daniel Martinez | 7th   |
| 13:45.12          | Ashton Grahl     | 15th       | 10:03.90       | David Martinez  | 8th   |
| 4X400 METER RELAY |                  | POLE VAULT |                |                 |       |
| 4:12.44           | Relay Team       | 15th       | 13-6           | Aden West       | 6th   |
| POLE VAULT        |                  |            | 10-0           | Taylor Max C    | 14th  |
| 9-0               | Emma Stegeman    | 8th        | DISCUS         |                 |       |
| DISCUS            |                  |            | 152-10         | JJ Mikas        | 5th   |
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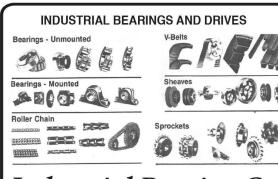
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# A Golden Opportunity:

### Denton County Master Gardener Annual Plant Sale

Spring is in full a rain-or-shine event. bloom, and so is the excitement for the Denton County Master Gardener Association's (DCMGA) Annual Plant Sale! Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (or until inventory runs out) at the North Texas Fairgrounds, located at 2217 N. Carroll Blvd., Denton, TX. This year's event has expanded to accommodate a wider selection of plants, parking, and gardening resources, all under the shelter of the fair-

The DCMGA Annual Plant Sale is known for offering a great number of plants that are native or well-adapted to the North Texas climate. The plant selection will include:

- Native Plants: Heat and drought-tolerant species that conserve water and support local wildlife.
- Well-Adapted Plants: Hard-to-find perennials, ground covers, and bedding plants that thrive in our climate.
  - Herbs: For cu-

linary use or for pollina-

No-Fuss Roses: Beautiful roses requiring minimal care.

"Pass-Along" Plants: Vigorous plants (grown by DCMG member) known for their resilience and ease of cultiva-

Plants will be organized by type and sun/ shade requirements, making it easy to find the perfect additions to your landscape.

Expert Advice and

The DCMG volunteers will be on-site to assist with plant selections and answer any gardening questions you may have. Visit the "Ask A Master Gardener" booth for personalized advice and to pick up bed design exam-

scaping projects. The event includes hands on, family-friendly activities, including educational booths and op-

ples to inspire your land-

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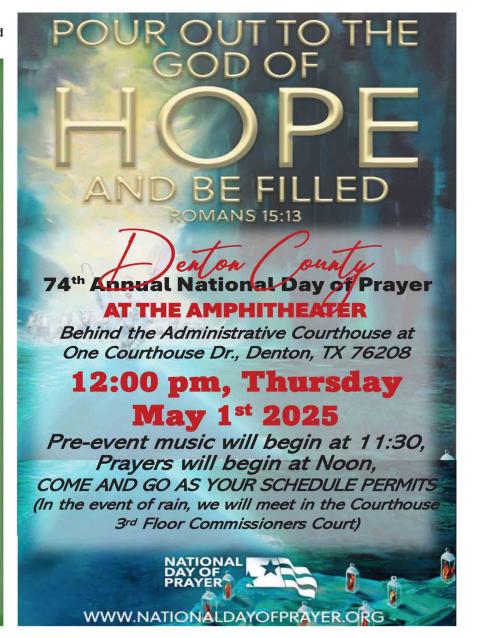
### Plan Your Visit

- Date & Time: Saturday, April 26, 2025, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (or until sell-out)
- Location: North Texas Fairgrounds, 2217 N. Carroll Blvd., Denton,
- Payment Methods: Credit card, cash, and check accepted

What to Bring: Boxes, plant flats, wagons, rolling carts, wheelbarrows or tractors to haul out your treasures!

Don't miss this golden opportunity to enhance your garden with plants that are both beautiful and well-suited to the North Texas environment. Come early for the best selection and take advantage of the expertise offered by the Denton County Master Gardeners.

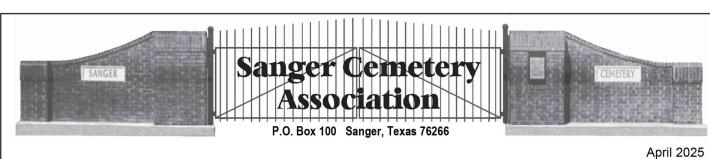




# **Decoration** Day at Sanger **Cemetery** is Sunday, **April 27**

Decoration Day at Sanger Cemetery is Sunday, April 27, 2025. The Sanger Cemetery is operated on donations that are given by the members of the Sanger Cemetery Association and the community for the maintenance and preservation of the cemetery. RR Landscape and More are mowing and caring for the grounds of the cemetery. They work numerous hours throughout the year to ensure that our cemetery is one that our members and community can be proud of.

Letters for this event were sent out later than usual, and we apologize for the delay. When over four hundred letters were sent out in the fall, many stated that their letters were not received. Several people called in to confirm their address, some made changes to their address, and others added their names to the mailing list. If you are on the mailing list and do not receive your letter, please contact one of the board members or myself to ensure that we have you in the system correctly, as we are striving to update our records.



Dear Friends,

Decoration Day at Sanger Cemetery is always the last Sunday of April. This year, the date is April 27, 2025. This is the time of year that we raise funds for the maintenance of the cemetery, which includes the caretaker's salary. RR Landscape & More is the company currently caring for the cemetery. They are doing an exceptional job in keeping the cemetery mowed and clean.

As you know, our goal is to maintain and keep the cemetery looking beautiful for those visiting their loved ones. In addition to mowing and weed eating, we have additional upkeep, such as tree trimming and road maintenance. Additionally, we have a few larger projects that we will be discussing throughout the year.

### Maintaining the cemetery relies on the donations we receive from each of you throughout the year.

The approximate expenses incurred by the cemetery have increased and now range from \$45,000 to \$65,000, depending on whether we have any major unexpected expenses. Due to inclement weather, severe damage can be caused within the cemetery. When this occurs, the Board has to outsource this type of clean-up, which is quite costly. These costs are above and beyond our ordinary expenses. On average, the total donations received each year are approximately \$10,000 to \$12,000. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Enclosed is a self-addressed envelope for your convenience. Please make all donations payable to the Sanger Cemetery Association - P.O. Box 100 - Sanger, TX 76266.

Please feel free to contact us if we can assist you in any way.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Stover, Thomas Muir, Bill Bounds, Norma Nelson Sammy Rippey - President DeAnn Coker Burrus – Sec/Treas.

**TRUSTEES** 

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

We appreciate your continued cooperation in upholding the cemetery's conditions and regulations, as listed below. A cemetery is a place of quiet rest.

### **Conditions and Regulations of the Sanger Cemetery**

- The tract conveyed shall be for the burial of the human dead and no other use. The tract conveyed shall not be curbed or enclosed in any manner. Any existing curb that has deteriorated or is damaged cannot be repaired and should be removed. The cemetery board has the authority to remove any such curbing.
- No glass containers shall be left within the cemetery's boundaries, which include all trinkets, marbles, breakable objects of any nature, arches (wood, metal, or pipe), shepherd's hooks, and benches (unless it is the actual monument with the name engraved on it.
- No trees, shrubs, ornamental statues, or other items obstructing mowing shall be established on any tracts. The use of the tract conveyed shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the Sanger Cemetery Association as they presently stand or are later amended.
- The association requires that a permanent marker be placed on the grave as soon as possible after burial. These memorials should only be granite or bronze and set on an exposed concrete pad with a three-inch apron. Please notify the association BEFORE such memorials are set to ensure proper placement. Please call (940) 458-3311 for the requirements for placing a monument in the cemetery

We look forward to seeing you **NEXT** year on **Sunday, April 26, 2026!**