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From The Local Leadership



**Mayor Saleh
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THE CITY OF
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We truly appreciate all who attended our Town Hall meetings in January.

We heard some really good ideas for cleaning up the city, good ideas for improving on activities and good ideas that show you care. Just know that we will be enforcing our codes and policing efforts as well as encouraging our citizens to do their part in revitalizing the neighborhoods. Eules is a great city to live and work in. We

need to keep up our homes and yards and the city will do it's best to keep up the streets and sidewalks. The next Eules Revitalization blitz weekend will be March 12 & 13. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call (817) 685-1821 or visit www.EulesTX.gov/ER. Let's all join together in every neighborhood to do a spring clean-up.

Will you please plan to participate with your Eules neighbors in welcoming the Troops at the DFW Airport during the week of February 8-14? This has been such a heartwarming program that has been supported throughout North Texas. Our city has been a participant since the beginning of the program and we are so proud of the many of you who have been there to welcome our troops.

The Eules Library is a hub of activity year round. They always have educational and fun programs as well as great resources for any endeavor you may come across. Libraries have books, magazines, databases and internet access all at no charge. Do visit our library and achieve your goals.

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**pets shown may already be adopted, but there are plenty of animals who have not and need a caring & loving home.*



Ariel

Med. Young Fem. ID: 011776

Hello, my name is Ariel. I'm a cute brown & white "cow kitty" domestic shorthair. One volunteer commented, "I just love Ariel's markings! "Cow" kitties are just too cute with their spots, and her facial markings are so unique! Her little personality matches her markings and she's a unique little girl. She seems standoffish when you see her in her cage, but once you pick her up and take her out, she just purrs up a storm and melts in your arms! She's a beauty that anyone should be happy to have." So, please come find out for yourself, and adopt me today!

**Eules Animal Services
1517 Westpark Way
Eules, TX 76040
(817)685-1594**

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TROJANS CELEBRATE STATE TITLE WITH PEP RALLY



Trinity High School and the HEB community cheered for their Trojans at a championship pep rally. Eules Mayor Mary Lib Saleh declared January

6 "Trinity Trojan Football Day," the team was awarded Chevrolet Team of the Year, and they received a special trophy. In addition, Community Bank awarded them

\$2,500. As part of the festivities, team members signed autographs for eager fans. Photos courtesy of Joy Regalado, Trinity yearbook editor.

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ALDI set for big push into the local grocery market

By ALESHIA HOWE
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With several locations nearing completion, officials of ALDI discount grocery chain announced opening dates for the store's 11 Tarrant County locations – beginning with March 19.

In the coming months, ALDI Inc., one of the largest privately owned retail discount supermarket chains worldwide, will

open 11 Tarrant County locations amid its North Texas expansion of 25 stores. And among the first to open March 19 will be three Fort Worth stores, as well as one store in Hurst, one in Pantego and one in White Settlement, with a second round of Tarrant County stores set to open April 23.

And ALDI is far from finished.

"We're going to continue to expand," said Karla Waddleton, director of real estate at ALDI's Denton division. "There are

still some opportunities to pursue in Tarrant; we're looking at new sites, new locations for us here. We like the market."

ALDI currently operates more than 1,000 stores in 29 states in the Midwest and Eastern United States. Touted as a store that likes to compete with Wal-Mart prices, a typical ALDI location is 17,000 square feet and is situated on about 2.5 acres.

The difference in an ALDI store can be



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ALDI INC.
 ALDI is opening new locations in Tarrant County as soon as March 19.

found in its products, which include about 1,400 different types of products per store and are about 95 percent private, off-brand labels.

ALDI opened its first location in South-eastern Iowa in 1976 with about 500 labels per store and its United States headquarters is in Batavia, Ill.

ALDI consumers bring their own bags and pay 25 cents for a shopping cart,

which is refundable once the cart is returned – a method that has proven successful and allows the store to maintain a rock-bottom overhead.

The store entered the North Texas market – headquartered in Denton – two years ago and has been picking up pad sites throughout the Metroplex since, with a goal of 60 to 80 stores in the division.

In Tarrant County, the list of first-round stores includes 1628 Precinct Line Road in Hurst, 3108 Matlock Road in Mansfield, 700 Alta Mere Drive in White Settlement, 2417 W. Park Row in Pantego and three Fort Worth stores: 7440 McCart Ave., 5728 North Tarrant Parkway and 5617 S. Hulen St.

To date, ALDI has had 12 hiring fairs in North Texas to fill its new store positions. Each North Texas store will employ 10 to 15 people, with only three operating the store at any given time. Scott Huska, vice president of the ALDI Denton division, said cashiers start at \$10 an hour and the market's 50 managers start at \$20 per hour and can make anywhere between \$65,000 and \$80,000 per year.

ALDI employees working 20 hours a week or more will receive full medical and dental coverage as well as a 401(k) and Huska said an employee can fully insure a family for \$160 a month.

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"It's a nice time to be able to come in to a market," he said. "The enjoyable part of our work is being able to come into a market and award someone that job and see the look on their face, especially in this type of financial environment. We don't know of a lot of other retailers out there offering what we are ... I can't find any other company that can match the benefits that ALDI has."

ALDI recently completed the hiring process in Denton for the company's regional warehouse. The warehouse is a little less than 500,000 square feet near Denton Municipal Airport and employs 65 - some of whom are Tarrant County residents driving from nearby cities such as Keller, Huska said. At maximum, Huska said the distribution center can employ 100.

"We're starting to bring product in there," Huska said of the warehouse. "It's also where the regional office is and that was completed in October. We really enjoyed working with the city of Denton on that public-private partnership."

And while the Denton warehouse will serve all North Texas stores north to Oklahoma City, Huska said as the chain expands in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, a need for a second distribution center is possible.

"We'll open as many distribution centers as we need in order to serve the stores so we're able to expand and if we're able to saturate the market then we'll open another one," he said of the distribution center.

Huska said he is still shopping for local vendors to provide fresh produce for the regional stores while some Texas vendors already have struck a deal with ALDI including Sarah Lee, Dr Pepper and Borden.

"We want the most local [product] as possible," Huska said. "We're working through the process for vendors now, especially for fresh produce. We're trying to find those partners right now."

As for local contractors, ALDI chose Fricks Concrete in Fort Worth to perform all the concrete work for the stores.

"I can't say enough about them and the work they did for us," Huska said.

Of the 11 Tarrant County locations, the McCart Avenue store is the only in-line lease - all other stores have been purchased properties with ground-up stores, which is what the chain prefers, Waddleton said.

ALDI also is under contract on an unidentified site in Burleson for a future store location with plans for more in the area, Waddleton said.

"As the population in North Texas continues to grow, we'll grow with it," she said. ■

ALDI Tarrant County Openings

March 19

2417 W. Park Row Blvd. in Pantego
 1628 Precinct Line Road in Hurst
 7440 McCart Avenue in Fort Worth
 5728 North Tarrant Parkway in Fort Worth
 5617 S. Hulen St. in Fort Worth
 700 Alta Mere Drive in White Settlement

April 23

9660 Legacy Drive in Fort Worth
 3108 Matlock Road in Mansfield
 424 E. Pioneer Parkway in Grand Prairie

May 14

1201 W. Airport Freeway in Euless

Fall 2010

901 N. Saginaw Blvd. in Saginaw

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Discount grocer preparing to open Texas stores faces lawsuit in Midwest

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BY BARRY SHLACHTER

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As Aldi prepares to open its first Texas stores in March, the German-owned discount grocer is fighting a legal action in the Midwest involving unpaid overtime and more than 200 store managers.

The federal class action suit was filed in Cleveland in August, but several more managers joined as plaintiffs this week. Like the others, they say they performed no managerial duties that would exempt them from overtime pay under federal law.

Such suits are popping up nationwide as large retail chains are accused of stretching job descriptions to get employees to work off the clock. In recent years, Taco Bell, Abercrombie & Fitch and Big Lots settled with managers in similar disputes.

Former Aldi manager Howard McNelley of Elyria, Ohio, started the suit, saying that for nine years he stocked shelves, cleaned the store and operated the cash register but never supervised more than one person and did not have the authority to hire or fire, according to his complaint.

The chain said McNelley worked only eight years and denied that he did cleanup or other menial jobs. And while he occasionally put in more than 40 hours in a week, such unpaid work is allowed under the Fair Labor Standards Act, it said.

"As a matter of policy and practice, Aldi consistently adheres to all employee-related laws and regulations," said Martha Swaney of the MWW Group public relations firm, who serves as a spokeswoman for Aldi. "We look forward to presenting the facts in court."

"Aldi prides itself on providing a work environment that respects each employee and rewards its staff with generous salaries and benefits that are significantly higher than the industry standard," Swaney said. "As a testament to that, it's common for Aldi employees to celebrate 15, 20 and 25 years of service."

With the local unemployment rate hovering at 8 percent, Aldi ran several well-attended job fairs in recent months. It was seeking store managers and hourly staff for 27 stores to open in the Metroplex from March through May.

An Aldi recruiting Web site said 11 stores will open around March 18, including six in Tarrant County. Aside from stores at 1628 Precinct Line Road in Hurst and 2417 W. Park Row Blvd. in Pantego, there will be four in Fort Worth: 7440 McCart Ave., 700 Alta Mere Drive, 5728 N. Tarrant Parkway and 5617 S. Hulen St., it said.

Five Dallas County stores will open about April 15, followed by four more in the region April 22, including one in Fort Worth at 9660 Legacy Drive, the Web site said.

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About May 13, Aldi plans to open seven more stores, including two in Tarrant County — 3108 Matlock Road in Mansfield and 1201 W. Airport Freeway in Euless.

Supermarket News, an industry magazine, reported that two additional North Texas stores, in Saginaw and Duncanville, will open in the fall.

Aldi consistently adheres to all employee-related laws and regulations."

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OBITUARIES

William "Bill" E. Pasteur



 **EULESS** — William "Bill" E. Pasteur, 75, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2010, at his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

SERVICE: Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Michael Catholic Church in Bedford. Interment: Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Forest Ridge Funeral Home in Hurst with a prayer vigil beginning at 7 p.m.

MEMORIALS: In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Mother and Unborn Baby Care, 3704 Myrtle Springs Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76116, or Northeast Tarrant County Right to Life, Box 543, Euless, Texas 76039.

Bill was born May 13, 1934, in Memphis, Tenn., to the late William E. and Edna Mae Pasteur. On Aug. 6, 1956, Bill married Carmelita B. Pasteur in El Paso. He earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Texas at El Paso and served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. After graduating from college in 1958, Bill and Tamita moved to Euless and Bill went to work for a local water/utility company. Shortly thereafter, he obtained his real estate license and began selling new homes for Reeves Royal Homes along with his mother, Edna Pasteur. Bill then obtained his broker's license and started his own real estate brokerage, Bill Pasteur Real Estate, and for 40-plus years was a highly successful commercial real estate broker and developer in Northeast Tarrant County.

Bill truly loved and cared about the community that he lived in and served as chairman of the board of First National Bank of Euless in the 1970s, Hurst-Euless-Bedford Hospital Authority board from 1973-1975, president of the Euless Lions Club in the 1960s, Special Recognition Award presented by Chuck Pelletier on behalf of Mother and Unborn Care and the entire pro-life community for all of his service and leadership in the pro-life movement, and the "Worthy Warrior" award from the Northeast Tarrant Educational Association Right to Life organization after serving as its chairman for 26 years.

Bill had several hobbies, including quail hunting, dancing and especially family celebrations. He was a member of the Republican Party and St. Michael's Catholic Church. Above all, Bill loved his family and friends, who will all miss him greatly.

Bill was preceded in-death by his parents, William E. and Edna Mae Pasteur; son, William E. Pasteur Jr., M.D.; and baby, Carmelita Pasteur.

SURVIVORS: Wife, Carmelita "Tamita" B. Pasteur; daughters, Christy A. Hamm and Laurie K. Wall and husband, Larry; son, Robert E. Pasteur "Bobby" and wife, Jennifer K.; grandchildren, Rebecca K. Sanders and husband, David, Joseph D. Brantley, Richard W. Hamm and wife, Vanessa, and Jacob Pasteur; and pets, Bullett and Fred.

Forest Ridge Funeral Home
 Hurst, 817-285-7777

View and sign guestbook at
www.star-telegram.com/obituaries