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## Panthers Basketball

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See what Bullard Athletics did in this year of sports.

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## Year in Photos

Just about everything that happened in Bullard this year, except for Hurricane Ike, has shown that the city is growing.

Pictured to the immediate left is part of the devastation from Hurricane Ike, but the rest of the photos demonstrates how Bullard is growing. The far left picture was a rededication of the Burning Bush Colony Monument just south of downtown Bullard. On the second row, we see Brook Hill's new wing, a new logo at the center of the new Panther Stadium and a picture of a cemetery representing Bullard turning 125 years old. On the third row is a picture of one of the most successful Red White and Blue Festivals ever, the Panthers' first ever musical and a picture of Bullard's park, which is also seen improvement and growth.



## In case you missed it: City Council year in review

The biggest City news of the year came during the summer when Mayor A.W. Hines announced his resignation so he could spend more time with his family and his business.

Before he left, Hines laid out a vision for Bullard. He urged the council to broaden the tax base through annexations, building an industrial park and preparing for business by designing master plans.

All of which will create a strong city foundation that will ensure a thought-out plan before Bullard begins to grow, Hines said. But it will also cut property and sales taxes. "The only way we can cut taxes is by increasing our tax base," Hines said at the city council meeting on July 8.

Rodger Johnson became president pro temp, and took

over the duties of mayor. The council, although the decision was split, voted to stay as the status quo... which means they decided to go on without a mayor until the mayoral elections in May.

And the two questions of the year have been, (a) who is going to run for mayor and (b) who is going to win? That will be left to the voters, even though there were a group of voters who signed a petition for a special election. The petition was never mentioned in a City Council meeting.

Here are other top stories from the city:

### CITY PASSES YOUTH CURFEW

City Council members unanimously approved an updated city curfew measure for those under 17.

The council held two public hearings prior to the ratification of the measure.

"The old ordinance had to be revised and updated," City Manager Larry Morgan said. "This gives us the ability to enforce it while changing times to help youth."

The ordinance states the city curfew prohibits "persons under 17 years of age from being in any public place or business establishment during curfew hours and prohibiting any parent or guardian from permitting or allowing his/her child or ward under 17 from being in any public place or business establishment during curfew hours."

Businesses are also not allowed to let teens remain on the premises during curfew hours - but provide certain exceptions.

Hours are 11 p.m. to 6



Photo by Jim Epperson

Mayor A.W. Hines, center, stepped down this year and a mayoral race is expected among the council this May.

a.m. every day except Friday and Saturday - where it's extended to midnight.

The ordinance also states,

"the city council has determined that there has been an increase in juvenile criminal activities in Bullard."

And "persons under 17 years of age are particularly susceptible by their lack of

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