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## Coryell County radio tower needs new lights

*The old tower warning lights, which used lightbulbs, are no longer fixable*

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

On the east end of town, just across Highway 36, several tall equipment towers dot the rural skyline. Nestled in the hills these towers bring cellular, television and radio service to Gatesville and Coryell

County.

Standing at 460 feet, the Coryell County radio tower is the tallest. It transmits radio signals for the Coryell County Sheriff's Office, Coryell County and Gatesville Fire Departments, the Gatesville Police Department, and Emergency Medical Services.

"There is no backup system," Gatesville Fire Chief Billy Vaden told the Messenger in an interview on Tuesday.

When the tower was erected 10 years ago the county was required to purchase red and white lights to adorn the top and sides of the tower. The strobing lights would flash white during the day and red at night to warn aircraft of the obstacle.

The county purchased the best lighting system available at the time

thinking it would last forever. But a decade later the lights are failing regularly.

"We've kind of nursed it the for the last two years," Vaden told the Coryell County Commissioner's Court at Tuesday's budget workshop. "But it needs to be replaced."

Vaden told the commissioners a new LED lighting system and replacing the 30 to 40 capacitors would cost the county an estimated \$28,000. The lights, which have to endure the hot Texas summers and

rainy spring storms, are expected to last 20 years.

The County Commissioners have the option to leave it out of the budget, but not having the lights operational violates Federal Aviation Administration guidelines and leaves the tower vulnerable to aircraft at night.

Vaden said he checks the lights on his way to and from his office at the Gatesville Fire Department. If he

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## Extreme heat expected in the region next week

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

Rain and cloud cover have kept the daily high temperatures out of the triple digits for much of the summer. But a high pressure system will enter the region next week bringing forecasted highs close to 100 and expected heat indexes of 105 degrees or greater.

The Coryell County Office of Emergency Management is urging residents to limit outdoor exposure, stay hydrated and remain vigilant for heat issues affecting seniors, children and pets.

"It's very important for good neighbors to be good neighbors," Bob Harrell, the county's emergency management coordinator said by phone Wednesday.

Tips from Ready.gov:

- Keep your pets and family members safe by avoiding leaving them in closed cars
- Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated
- If you can, avoid exercising outside during the midday heat
- A hat with a wide brim can help protect your face from the blistering sun
- Check on family members, seniors and neighbors

## INSIDE SUMMERS PERFECT TO SCOUT PREY



COURTESY PHOTO

In the heat oi summer is when avid hunters go track the herd to find out where they are. **PAGE 10**

## 'KING OF THE SKY'

*Creator of bronze eagle has another piece at Coryell Museum*

BY DAVID SCOTT  
Staff Writer

Seems fitting a vigilant bronze eagle watches over Gatesville.

Its sculptor and hometown boy, Don Hunt, dubbed it "King of the Sky."

"The eagle represents freedom. I put this eagle perched on a ball representing the freedom of the world," Hunt was reported telling bystanders as a 210-foot crane lovingly lofted his work to its perch atop the bell tower of the Coryell County Courthouse. "There is nothing more free than an eagle."

The eagle is just one of Hunt's many creations. The Coryell Museum and Historical Center were the recent recipients of a large, bronze sculpture that was donated to the museum by the Chuck Helton family of Bedford. Helton was a friend of Hunt.

The sculpture, entitled "Thunder on the Plains," was described by Helton as "being to my knowledge, the only one in existence."

Coryell Museum Board of Directors president, Ervin Adams, said "By making this donation, Chuck Helton has enabled this museum to honor one of Coryell County's most famous sons. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to continue to add to our collection and tell the story of Coryell County and its citizens. Once it is formally unveiled, I ask the community to come by and see it."

COWBOYS AND EAGLES

The original sculpture of the eagle was found missing a few years after construction of the courthouse in 1897 was completed. For decades the building's crown sat empty.

Legend had it that "cowboys back then would get drunk on the north side of the square and would shoot at it."

In 1986, a \$1 million restoration project was authorized by the Cory-

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**EAGLE EYE:** The bronze eagle atop the belltower of the courthouse is the second sculpture of the bird.

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**ONE OF A KIND:** Another sculpture by Don Hunt, "Thunder on the Plains," was recently donated to the Coryell Museum by the Helton family.

## QUESTION & ANSWER CORNER

Q: What is your favorite summer-time outdoor activity?  
A: Hanging out in the backyard.

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# COUNTY WIDE

## Event to benefit electrocuted man

A benefit will be held Aug. 1 for Jason Shields who was recently electrocuted by a power line on Main Street. Shields remains hospitalized at Dell Seton's burn trauma center in Austin. The benefit will be held at Bare Bones Barbeque located at 4302 S. Texas Hwy. 36. The benefit will include music, a live and silent auction and a corn hole tournament.

## Local church to see 'Greater Vision' show

The Christian Adult Fellowship Events group

(C.A.F.E.) at the First United Methodist Church is going to a performance by Tennessee gospel group "Greater Vision" Aug. 14. The group will leave at 11:30 a.m. from the Methodist Church, eat at Rosa's Cafe, then go to the concert at 3 p.m. A ticket and transportation is \$30. For more information, call Ruth Jones at 254-865-2112. Due to the popularity of the group, tickets must be purchased no later than July 22. The church can be reached at 254-865-2520.

## Senior center needs drivers

The Gatesville Senior Cen-

ter is looking for drivers for its Meals on Wheels program. Drivers are volunteers and are not paid positions. Anyone interested in delivering meals to the seniors and shut-ins should call the Gatesville Senior Center Director, Tonya Sikes, at 254-865-8234. The Gatesville Senior Center is located at 208 N. Luterloh Avenue.

## Message of truth, hope at Pearl Baptist

With a message of truth and hope, evangelist and Purple Heart recipient, Dave Roever, will speak at Pearl Baptist Church Sunday, July

25, at 6 p.m. under the tabernacle. Food and fellowship begins at 4:30 p.m. Roever uses his life as an example to help his audience with their problems. He weaves together a message of courage, commitment and survival that touches and transforms those who hear him. The public is invited to the church which is located at 6795 FM 183 in Pearl. For more information, call Connie Long at 254-223-0621.

## Vacation Bible school coming to Live Oak Baptist

Live Oak Baptist Church will hold its Vacation Bible

School July 26-28 from 5:30-8 p.m. A meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the Bible study promptly begins at 6 p.m. The theme this year is "The Great Escape!! Featuring Jonah." The Bible School will be for children ages 4 through leaving 6th grade. Register online at <https://forms.gle/Db5LovHJYQF8dbvA6>. Live Oak Baptist Church is located at 113 FM 107, Gatesville. For more information, call 254-865-5681.

## Williamson reunion set for early August

The descendants of Stephen and Sarah Williamson

will hold their Williamson Family Reunion in Gatesville on Aug. 6-7, 2021. The reunion will be held Friday, Aug. 6, at 5:30 p.m. with a dinner at The Feed Mill Restaurant. The family will then gather at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 7, at Ranchers Steakhouse in Gatesville for visiting, lunch and a brief business meeting. Paula Melbern Weeks, of Hewitt, is the chairperson of the Williamson Reunion. Information about the reunion has been sent via mail to all known family members, but if you are a descendant and haven't received a note, please contact Paula Weeks at 254-855-6123 or Marsha Richards at 832-233-2725.



Deviled Egg Pasta Salad

### TERESA'S TABLE

## Here's a 'devilishly' good pasta dish

### TERESA HOUSTON

Teresa Houston is a retired teacher and a food and cooking aficionado.

Now that it has quit raining, and summertime, you may be planning on hosting or attending a backyard party or a family reunion. I think I have the dish you are probably looking for! It is a simple yet tasty dish to contribute to such

an occasion. You all know that side dishes and desserts are the thing you pile high on the plate, wanting to taste and savor all the items that have been contributed to such a feast. Two of the most popular ones that show up are deviled eggs and pasta salad, so why not combine the two for a pleasant surprise! This recipe is easy and can be doubled and even quadrupled if you are so inclined.

### Deviled Egg Pasta Salad

#### Ingredients:

- 6 hardboiled eggs
- 8 oz. of ditalini pasta (or small shell pasta)
- ¾ cup of mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish (you can substitute dill relish if you don't like it sweet)
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ¼ teaspoon smoked paprika
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 2 tablespoons red onion, finely chopped
- 2 ribs of celery, finely chopped
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Directions:

1. In a large pot of salted boiling water, cook the pasta according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water, set aside.
2. Peel eggs and separate the yolks from the whites. Chop the whites and set aside. Add yolks to a large mixing bowl and crush into a paste.
3. To the crushed yolks, add mayonnaise, Dijon mustard, relish, garlic powder, paprika, cayenne, salt and pepper and mix to combine.
4. Add the pasta, onion, celery, and egg whites. Stir gently to combine. Adjust the seasonings as needed and chill until ready to serve. Enjoy!

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PHOTOS BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER  
**LONE LOOKOUT:** Gatesville Fire Chief Billy Vaden uses binoculars to see if the strobe lights on the Coryell County radio tower are operational.

## TOWERS

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doesn't see them working he files a report with the FAA. The county is required by law to make the lights operational within 30 days. Vaden said he's filed roughly a

dozen reports so far and he's either been able to fix the problem or has hired someone who can. But the tower's red lights no longer work, the white lights are much dimmer than they should be, and the failures are occurring more frequently. "It's a good time to fix it," Vaden said.

The Coryell County Commissioners Court is expected to release a preliminary budget next week. The court will vote on the final budget in mid-August. If the expenditure is approved by the commissioners Vaden estimated it would be 4-6 months before the installation is completed.



**OLD LIGHTS:** An old warning light sits at the base of the Coryell County radio tower on July 20. This light, which used light-bulbs, sat atop the original 290-foot tower.

## HUNT

FROM PAGE A1

ell County Commissioners to restore the 1897 courthouse. Hunt was selected to create a replacement for the lost eagle. "I'm proud they selected me to put something up there like that," Hunt said at the time. "My offspring can drive by and see it. It humbles me. I'm proud of the courthouse and what they've done to it."

### LOCAL BOY

Don Hunt was born in Gatesville in 1940 and attended Gatesville schools before continuing his education at Southwest Texas State University. His family was very involved in the cattle and ranching business in Coryell County. As a child, Hunt began drawing and sketching to fulfill a creative spirit he felt. He would later study as an apprentice with Randy Steffen and cast his first bronze sculpture. "This was a turning point in my life," Hunt said in a publication. "I have to par-

ticipate in three-dimensional structure, I live the story. I experience the meaning. I strive to capture motion and the movement in bronze." After attending Southwest Texas State University, he later served in the U.S. National Guard during the Vietnam War. He came home to tend to the family ranch. Hunt left the cattle business in Coryell County and followed his passion to begin a career as a full-time bronze artist. He was selected from hundreds of applicants in the United States to memorialize such legendary fig-

ures as Barbara Jordan, Tom Landry, Whizzer White, Baylor University's Grant Teaff and the Baylor Bear. "My sculpture is an extension of my life, my interests and beliefs," he reportedly said. "I know the agony and the ecstasy." He was commissioned in 2008 to sculpt the life-size statue of an 1870's Texas Ranger riding a horse, which today is displayed in front the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame in Waco and is reported to be one of the most photographed sculptures in Waco.

As a part of the Gatesville community, Hunt was a leader at First Baptist Church of Gatesville as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. He also served as a member of the Gatesville Independent School District School Board, was a FFA sponsor and served as a mentor for future artists and students of sculpture. COLORADO FOUNDRIES Don Hunt and his wife, Mary Margaret Nesbitt Hunt, relocated from San Antonio to Colorado in 1999 so that he could be closer to the

Loveland, Colorado bronze foundries and where he also opened a gallery where his sculptures were exhibited. Hunt died on Feb. 14, 2011 at the age of 70. His remains were returned to his hometown of Gatesville where he was buried at Restland Cemetery. The Coryell Museum and Historical Center will be unveiling Hunt's bronze sculpture, "Thunder on the Plains," on Friday, July 30 at 2 p.m. by special invitation only.



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MOUND NEWS

# Jones family grateful for your love, support

BY BARBARA HOPSON

Don and Sue Jones and their families would like to thank everyone for their love and support for Case and Kristen Jones during the accident. Your love and support has been awesome. You will never know how much it has touched all of our hearts.

Coby, Sarah and Kate spent the weekend with Don and Sue Jones.

Paula Metheny, of Floresville, visited Saturday morning with Don and Sue Jones.

Samuel, Charles and Thomas Belt enjoyed their vacation to Yellowstone National Park last week. They also went on a river rafting trip to the Cody, Wyoming rodeo and to Archer National Park.



Hopson

Ruby Caroline Pullen of Rock Wall, great-niece of Barbara Hopson, competed in Waco at the Elite Summer Sizzle over the weekend. Ruby ended up placing third in the 3D and bringing home some money. Ruby's (Marmi) Nancy Dixon,

(aunt) Margaret Hopson, and (cousin) Danijo Wood went to watch Ruby on Saturday. Ruby's (aunts) Sara Poynter and Kari Belt and (cousins) Charles and Thomas Belt went Friday to see Ruby run.

Lillian Belle and Max Ryan McClellan, of Fort Worth, spent a few days during the weekend with their grandparents, Frank and Susie Hopson.

Robert, Carolyn and Emma Blakley have returned home after a week trip to Orange Beach, Alabama.

Mrs. Bettie Blakley, of Pearl, visited Saturday afternoon with Robert, Carolyn and Emma Blakley.

Robert Blakley visited Sunday afternoon in Pearl with his mother, Mrs. Bettie

Blakley.

Slayton Fisher played in the Texas Teenage BU Machine Pitch state tournament in Moody and Troy. Slayton's cheering section consisted of Amanda, Brodie, Blayze and Caymbri Fisher, Joseph, Helen and Debbie Piller, Ronnie and Kay Fisher, Claudia Brown, Ashlea Walker, Chris and Jennifer Miller.

Debbie Piller celebrated her 64th birthday and went to eat out for lunch with her daughter, Jennifer Miller. They watched Slayton play baseball and his team won. They also went out for dinner Friday with Joe Jr. and Janie Piller, Joseph and Helen Piller.

Debbie Piller also had a birthday dinner at the home

of Chris and Jennifer Miller.

Pam Wolff and Margaret Hopson recently made a trip to Georgia. While they were there, they went shopping and sightseeing.

Those who had birthdays in this month were Anita Jones, Amanda Terrell, Debbie Mettlach, Trey Kleshick, Kathy Reeves, Clancy Jones, Kyanne Jones, Sonia Davidson, Brenda Heiner, Summer McClellan, Debbie Piller, Cindy Gowen, Anna Jaworski, Brandon Belt, Jennifer Doss, Bobby Carothers, Becky Moore, Anna McPherson, Brittani Shepherd, Cory Evetts, Jeb Dixon, Hal Davidson, Gwen Watson, Josh Evetts, and Blayne Crum

# The DISPATCH

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through dispatchers during the period of July 15-18. While there were many calls to the dispatcher, this is a partial list of more significant activity. Persons are reminded that only emergency calls should be made to 9-1-1, while all other calls to the police department should be made to 865-2226 or to the Sheriff's office at 865-7201.

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## CITY OF GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### JULY 19

7:49 a.m., criminal trespassing was reported in the 1300 block of North State Highway 36.

12:32 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 300 block of Bridge Street.

2:25 p.m., an assault with-

out medical response was reported in the 5100 block of Ethel Avenue.

6:04 p.m., an accident was reported in the 300 block of South Lovers Lane.

7:28 p.m., a search and rescue was performed by the Gatesville Fire Department in the 1000 block of CR 174.

7:42 p.m., a utility cable pole was reported down in

the 600 block of Fouts Street.

### JULY 20

8:35 p.m., illegal dumping was reported in the 1100 block of Saunders Street.

12:34 p.m., an accident was reported in the 2200 block of East Main Street.

2:13 p.m., a theft was reported in the 2800 block of South State Highway 36.

4:26 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 2200 block of State School Road.

4:55 p.m., an accident was reported in the 2200 block of East Main Street.

6:06 p.m., the Gatesville Fire Department responded to a brush fire in Gatesville. The exact location was not provided.

7:29 p.m., a missing person was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

## CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

### JULY 19

9:08 a.m., burglary of a habitation was reported in the 300 block of CR 107.

10:47 a.m., a medical emergency was reported in the 1500 block of CR 931.

3:55 p.m., a CPS priority 1 was reported in the 3000 block of CR 356.

5:15 p.m., a reckless driver was reported at the intersection of North 36 and FM 182.

7:21 p.m., a water rescue was performed in the 1600 block of CR 174.

9:48 p.m., a reckless driver was reported at the intersection of North First Street and Highway 9.

### JULY 20

8:06 a.m., contraband was

reported in the 500 block of East Leon Street.

11:17 a.m., credit card abuse was reported in the 1200 block of Conder Road.

2:26 p.m., a medical emergency was reported in the 10000 block of South Highway 36.

2:33 p.m., a scam was reported in the 12000 block of South Highway 36.

2:58 p.m., a controlled burn was reported in the 120 block of Harrell Drive.

3:56 p.m., a major accident was reported at the intersection of Highway 190 and Clark WB.

4:52 p.m., trespassing was reported in the 100 block of Harrell Drive.

7:05 p.m., a CPS priority 1 was reported in the 3700 block of East Main Street.

7:30 p.m., a runaway was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

7:36 p.m., a scam was reported in the 200 block of CR 332.

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# Gatesville schools eye a return to normalcy

BY SABRINA ANDERSON  
Staff Writer

Gatesville schools are trying for a normal year. Remote learning was nixed by the Gatesville ISD School Board, opting instead to bring students back to the classrooms. The board did bake in seven “COVID-19 Makeup Days” in case of

surges. It was a strain on educators trying to keep students on track, according to Superintendent Dr. Barrett Pollard, with the educators required to upload their assignments and lessons remotely while also having in-person classes. “It won’t be like it was previously where every-

thing was just right there in Google Classrooms,” Pollard said. “It was pretty stressful on almost all of the teachers to keep up with hybrid and in-person classroom instruction.” The makeup days are similar to how snow days work, with students scheduled to have the day off until the event arises that time

needs to be made up due to school-wide closures caused by COVID outbreaks. Despite having a recent local and national increase in the amount of confirmed covid cases, Pollard said GISD is still on track of not having students learning from home, and has an emergency plan in place for when the county sees a spike in infec-

tions. “I would hope that last year was probably the hardest year of covid because there were no vaccinations, and we did pretty well,” said Dr. Pollard. Local and national health authorities recommend everyone over the age of 12 get vaccinated to prevent the spreading of the coronavirus

variants. They also recommend continuing to wear a mask if you have not been vaccinated or are showing symptoms consistent with COVID-19. For more information on COVID-19 recommendations, you can visit CDC.gov.

## Gatesville school district dates to remember for 2021-2022

If you are a Gatesville Independent School District parent, here are a few dates to remember:

**THURSDAY, AUG. 12** will be the first day of school.

**MONDAY, JULY 26, 5:30 p.m.**, the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Gatesville High School

to dedicate the renovation and additions to the high school.

**TUESDAY, AUG. 3**, 6th grade schedule pick up from 8:30 a.m.-noon and Wednesday,

Aug. 4 from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

**MONDAY, AUG. 9, 5-6:30 p.m.**, Pre-K open house at the Gatesville Primary School.

**TUESDAY, AUG. 10**, meet the teacher and open house at

the following Gatesville campuses:

- *Primary (Kindergarten) 5-6:30 p.m.*
- *Elementary, 5:30-7 p.m.*
- *Intermediate, 6-7:30 p.m.*
- *Junior High, 5:30-7 p.m.*

■ *High School, 7-8:30 p.m.*

For more information, call 254-865-7251.

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Cultivate Your Friendships




“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.”  
—Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 NIV

The advice to cultivate your friendships is good advice on a variety of levels. Having good and reliable friends provides the social support that all of us need. And there is good evidence that loneliness is a serious health risk, increasing your risk of high blood pressure, depression and dementia. The advice to cultivate your friendships is also particularly relevant in today's highly mobile society. People often relocate because of school or work, and while technology can keep us connected even when we're halfway around the world, too often we spend our free time diverted from the quality time we should be spending with people who matter to us. There are many ways to cultivate our friendships, and they all start with spending time with our friends and communicating with them when we can't be with them physically. As always, the golden rule applies to friendship as to every other relationship, and counsels us to do the things for our friends that we would like them to do for us, such as lending an ear, helping in times of need, and just being there to share the good times and the bad. – Christopher Simon

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FROM MY FRONT PORCH

# The burden of saving those family keepsakes!

**SAM HOUSTON**

*Sam Houston is the Publisher of the Hood County News. He is also an author, actor, playwright, and entertainment producer and promoter.*

This past weekend my sweet wife and I worked on clearing up the stack of boxes and crates which occupy the bulk of our garage. We recently moved in our house and a great many items have yet to find their place. We set out early in the day to attack this herculean task, but it was obvious early on that we had swatted a bear on the nose and were seriously overmatched.

We have only been married for two years and during that time, I sold my house in Gainesville so many of the items which I had stored there, needed to be moved



Houston

things that are acquired during life, and only God himself knows what to do with all of it. This problem is exacerbated when you are the offspring of a Mother and Grandmother who saved everything! Looking at the large number of storage rental facilities in our community, we are not the only people with this problem.

Please do not misunderstand, I think it is cool that

I have the outfit my Mother dressed me in when she took me home from the hospital, and my Dad's dog tags from his time in the Army, and the wedding shoes my Mom was married in. I love how I can hold my grandfathers grade school penmanship book, my dear Uncle's Shriner's hat, or a thousand other photos or nick-nacks which have meaning to me. This does not even begin to include the glassware, china, silverware, dishes, vases, and decanters which have been handed down from my family elders and ended up in my garage. Of course, this situation is multiplied by two because my wife has the same sort of items from her side of the family. We would

need a place comparable to the White House to be able to display or utilize all this stuff!

We have given our children as much of our "collection" as they want and for now, the balance is going in the attic. I am thinking about once every 5 or so years, I will venture up the stairs and look at my first lunch box, or some 100-year-old photos, or glance as some collectable glassware. When I do, the items will remind me of people I loved, places I have been and rekindle the best memories of my life. I will then go down the attic stairs and not look at the items again for another 5 years or so.

I guess someday, when my

wife and I are gone the kids will go through the items. Of course, most of it they will not know where it came from nor will they really care. They will probably laugh and cuss a little wondering why on God's green earth Sam and Teresa saved all of this "junk". I remember saying exactly those same words when I cleaned out my Mom and Dad's house. In the end, they will take what they want, and the balance will go to the dump. One thing for sure, my wife and I will not be there to have to deal with it or see it go. Problem solved!

Thought for the day: If the elevator to success is broken, take the steps and do so one step at a time!

Until next time!

## OBITUARIES



**MARK COLLIN DAVIS**  
*June 18, 1961 - July 8, 2021*

Mark Collin Davis passed away on Thursday, July, 8, 2021, at home after a brief illness.

Memorial services will be

held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 31, 2021 at Hay Valley Baptist Church, 3110 Hay Valley Road, Gatesville, TX 76528.

Mark was a man who loved life. He was born in Gatesville, on June 18, 1961 to the late Thelma and Curtis A. Davis, Sr. He was raised in a wonderful Christian home and forever loved his family, his friends and the town of Gatesville. Mark attended The University of Texas and then went on to a successful career as a land developer, broker and ranch expert.

In 2004, Mark married Rebecca Nelson of Austin whom he loved and cherished until his death. His affection for her was inspiring to all who knew them. They shared a love of Labradors, the outdoors, travel, music

and entertaining. They also shared many fun adventures including South Texas bird hunts, fly fishing trips on the Texas coast and summers in Montana.

Mark's career in real estate spanned 40 years. When he looked at a ranch or any other piece of land, it seemed like it spoke to him. He observed "the dirt," the flowers, the trees, the cattle, the birds ... whatever was there. Then he started to share - quietly but with the authority and knowledge that years of experience and study bring - as he laid out what the property's future could and should be. His vision always left the honor and integrity of the land intact while its evolution would be part of its natural destiny. He loved the land of Texas.

And, like so many others, it loved him back.

Mark's special gift and passion were his friends. He was charismatic, loyal and a true friend to untold numbers. A born communicator, he was not interested in texts or email; he wanted to hear your voice and talk to you either in person or on the telephone. He was direct and not shy about offering his opinion. Mark loved to plan festive events, gather friends, have lunch, and tell long hilarious stories, all while lighting up a room with his warm smile and cheerful personality. He had a gift with children and made them feel like they were the center of the world. When he got tickled a whole room could find themselves laughing. He was the camp direc-

tor and the ring leader, and kids and adults alike were the beneficiaries. He also knew how to be with friends in their times of need. He understood tough times, was unwavering and was always there to listen and offer a broad shoulder to lean on.

Mark was honest and offered leadership and vision to his business partners and associates. He was generous, kind and devoted to his family, friends and community. He will be missed beyond measure and will endure in our hearts forever.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Curtis A. Davis, Jr.

In addition to his wife, Rebecca, Mark is survived by his brother Gary J. Davis and wife, Sherri; mother-in-law, Carol Corley Nelson; broth-

ers-in-law, Tom E. Nelson III and John C. Nelson and wife, Kristen; many nieces, nephews, cousins and his beloved dogs, Jud and Duke.

The family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude to his many wonderful caregivers. May he rest in Peace.

In lieu of flowers, Rebecca has designated that memorials be made to The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd (<https://gsaustin.org>); Gatesville I.S.D. Education Foundation, P.O. Box 245, Gatesville, TX 76528; Texas Parks & Wildlife Foundation - Priority Land Conservation Acquisitions (<https://tpwd.texas.gov>), or a charity of your choice.

Rev. Keith Dyer will officiate the memorial service.

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

There is a scheduled Public Hearing of the City Council of Gatesville on Monday, August 10, 2021 in the City's Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to consider the request of the City of Gatesville to rezone 101 S. 34th Street from Community Facility to Business Commercial. This hearing is open to the public.  
By: Wendy Cole 00028637

**Invitation for Bids**

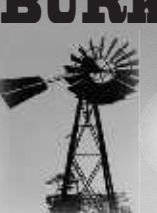
The Jonesboro ISD will receive sealed bids for a FUEL VENDOR (Both Gas and Diesel) for the 2021-22 school year until July 29, 2021 at 3:00 PM at the Jonesboro ISD Superintendent Office located at 14909 S. HWY 36, Jonesboro, Texas 76538.

Bids will be opened and awarded at the regularly scheduled JISD Board Meeting on July 29, 2021 at 6:00 PM located at 14909 S. HWY 36, Jonesboro, Texas 76538 in the JISD Meeting Room.

All questions should be directed to Matt Dossey, Jonesboro ISD Superintendent at 254-463-2111 or [matt.dossey@jonesboroisd.net](mailto:matt.dossey@jonesboroisd.net).

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► 9.97 acres southwest of Gatesville in King Ranch Subdivision. The property has good tree cover with rolling terrain and nice home site. The property has a water meter and electricity running along the north boundary. \$139,500  
► 10.01 acres East of Evant in Stone Creek Ranch Subdivision, great tree cover with good elevation to build a home overlooking Langford Branch. The property also has a second branch that runs along the East side of the property with rock bluffs along the branch. Electricity is at the property and you would need to drill a water well for water. \$199,900  
► 11.09 acres North of Evant, TX, Mulberry Creek Subdivision, electric, good view, cedar has been removed. Great building site. \$128,500  
► 16 acres 4 miles East of Evant, Hwy. 84 frontage, electric on property, good tree cover, rolling terrain. \$184,000.  
► 19 acres in Pearl, TX that goes upon Pearl Mountain that has an elevation of 1320 ft. above sea level. The property has approx. 140 ft. of change in elevation with great views looking to the West. The property has good tree cover and FM 1690 road frontage. Multi-County Water meter is available and electric is at the road. \$295,500  
► 20.29 +/- acres approx. 11 miles West of Gatesville, TX with Hwy. 36 frontage. The property has scattered tree cover with rolling terrain. A water meter from Coryell City Water Supply will be installed by seller and electricity is available. \$233,335  
► 31 +/- acres North of Gatesville, TX on FM 215. Approx. 1325 ft. of Coryell Creek frontage, electricity is located at the road and a water meter is available from Coryell City Water, but please check availability with the water company. \$387,500  
► 36.9 +/- acres 11 miles West of Gatesville, TX with Hwy. 36 frontage. The property has scattered tree cover with rolling terrain. A water meter from Coryell City Water Supply will be installed by seller and electricity is available. \$313,500  
► 166.94 acres East of Hamilton, TX. The ranch is secluded with a nice 2 Br 1 Ba frame home with a windmill water well. The ranch has a small equipment barn, a storage container, grain bin and 2 stock tanks. The property has rolling terrain with scattered tree cover. All the deer blinds and feeder will convey with the property. \$699,000  
► 179.562 acres 1.6 miles South of Gatesville, TX. The property has FM 116 frontage with great views to build a home. The property has 1 stock tank, rolling terrain and scattered tree cover. Multi-County Water & the City of Gatesville have water lines running down the front of the property on FM 116. \$1,230,000  
► 210 acres with Cow House Creek, Langford Branch & Indian Creek. The property has approx. 150 acres of farmland, nice home site and Fiber Optic Internet service is available. The property is just East of Evant, TX. \$1,470,000



2021 football schedule

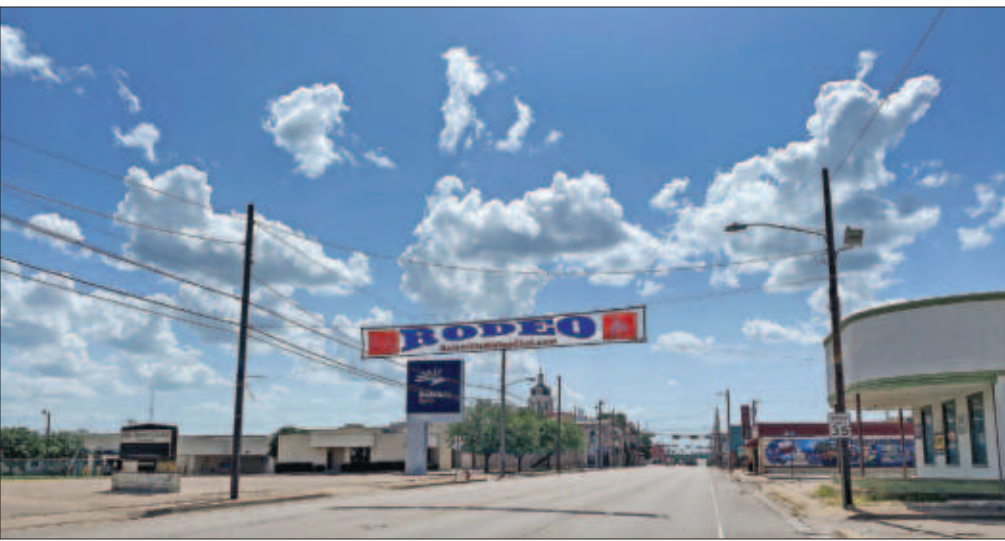
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DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Aug. 12	St. Jo	Pruitt Field	5:00 PM
Aug. 19	May	May	6:00 PM
Aug. 27	Coolidge	Pruitt Field	7:30 PM
Sept. 3	Perrin Whitt	Perrin Whitt	7:30 PM
Sept. 10	JSCA	Pruitt Field	7:00 PM
Sept. 17	Blum	Pruitt Field	7:00 PM
Sept. 24	Milford	Milford	7:30 PM
Sept. 30	Turkey Valley	Trent	5:00 PM
Oct. 8	++Greenville Christian	Pruitt Field	7:00 PM
Oct. 15	Evant*	Evant	7:00 PM
Oct. 22	Zephyr*	Pruitt Field	7:00 PM
Oct. 29	Lometa*	Pruitt Field	7:00 PM
Nov. 5	Bye	Bye	Bye

Denotes District Opponent - \*  
Denotes Homecoming - ++

Yeehaw! Gatesville rodeo is here

Get ready to ride, Gatesville. The 84th annual Gatesville Riding Club Rodeo is July 29-31 at 7:30 p.m. at the arena located at Veteran's Memorial Drive in Gatesville. Mutton bustin' is held every night with a \$30 entry fee. It is limited to 10 riders a night. Thursday is "Military Appreciation Night" and tickets will be \$8 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6-12 with military identification. Friday is "Back the Blue" and all are encouraged to wear blue in support of law enforcement. Saturday is "First Responder Recognition" night. There will also be a calf scramble, which will not require pre-registration.



DAVID SCOTT | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

The junior barrels requires participants to register. Call 254-493-8954 on Monday, July 26, 7-9 p.m. for more in-

**DOWNTOWN MESSAGE: A banner across Main Street in Gatesville announces the upcoming rodeo that will be sponsored by the Gatesville Riding Club.**



MARK GOODSON | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER  
**TRYING TO MAKE THE TEAM:** Tasha Thoms is a returning setter for the Hornets.

VOLLEYBALL  
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skills workouts." The Hornets held a workout Wednesday with a sprinkling of athletes that will make up this year's varsity. Weber said she will formulate her roster during preseason drills and expects to carry "10 to 12." Two standouts in Wednesday's drills were seniors Tasha Thoms and Avery Mullins. Both were energetic and full of encouragement during their morning workout. "Avery is a great teammate," Weber said pointing out that the senior leads by example. Returning varsity players are seniors Thoms and Mullins and juniors Lola Barron, Kaleigh Haywood and Khloe Mathews. The Lady Hornets will be going for their 19th straight playoff berth this season when official pre-

season workouts start Aug. 2. The Lady Hornets volleyball team closed their first season under coach Janet Weber with a tough battle with Graham at Weatherford. Gatesville lost to Graham 3-1 (25-18, 20-25, 20-25, 24-26) in Class 4A bi-district playoff. The Hornets (the fourth seed from District 6-4A) finished last season 18-8 overall.

Registration for flag football

The Gatesville Youth Flag Football League will take registration from Aug. 2-Sept. 9. Cost is \$45 per team. Draft for the league is Sept. 12-19. The season starts Oct. 9. The league is for youths from five years of age through the sixth grade.

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*Solution for the puzzle will be in the next edition of the paper, July 28. (PUZZLE NO. 06)*

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FOOTBALL  
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website we went to allowed players to go on-line and eliminated all that paper. I can go on there and check on players if they are cleared." The Hornets will have a final skill camp for the younger players (seventh through ninth graders) leading up to the Monday, Aug. 2 start.

Howard said he expects 120 athletes for the start of football. "Our main workouts will be in the evening from 4-9 p.m., that time also includes meetings," Howard said. The Hornets will have scrimmages with McGregor and Fairfield. The McGregor scrimmage is Friday, Aug. 13 at McGregor. The Hornets square off with Fairfield Thursday, Aug. 19.

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DEER  
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summer and winter beds. Summer bedding is used to help keep deer cool during the dog days of summer. These areas include more rangeland, as deer will bed underneath trees that offer a cool summer breeze. Winter bedding areas are typically characterized by thick and often thorny vegetation like greenbrier, blackberry, and even mesquite thickets. To put it simply, if it's too thick for you to walk into an area, it's more than likely a bedding area for white-tailed deer. Finding bedding areas can help hunters focus on their strategy, spending more time near summer beds during the early season and more time near winter beds during the late season. Feeding areas are just that, a place for deer to consume food. During the season, white-tailed deer expend an incredible amount of energy. Bucks chasing does, and does growing next year's fawns, increases the amount of forage that a deer needs to consume to survive. Feeding areas can vary between planted food plots, corn or protein feeders, and natural vegetation such as oak or pecan stands. When it comes to summer scouting for feeding areas, focus on finding some of the most nutritious and available browse and forage on a property. Finding large oak or pecan trees is a sure-fire way to figure out where deer will be feeding, as loads of acorns or pecans are consumed by deer yearly. Browse vegetation is another tell-tale sign of feeding

areas. To find good browse sights, you must look for spots that offer ample sunlight to hit the forest floor. Many browse species are shade intolerant, so they are not present when the forest canopy is closed. Look toward habitat edges, where there is a transition in habitat (forest – rangeland – grassland). Species like partridge pea or honey locust are often overlooked but provide excellent nutritional value for deer. Travel corridors are some of the most exhilarating, yet boring places to hunt. You can have hours of no activity, and within a matter of seconds you can be drawn back on a 150" buck cruising down a rub line. These corridors are like a highway system in the DFW Metroplex, elaborate, mind boggling, and always changing. Travel corridors show the movement from bedding to feeding areas, making them excellent spots to look at activity and can often include rub lines. Many travel corridors can be found by changes in topography and/or vegetation. Creek channels, topographical fingers on ridges, and fingers of trees can all be used by deer as travel corridors. So, while the summer is filled with mosquitoes and ticks, you can help to ensure your hunting success come fall. Looking for these specific types of areas on your property or a piece of public land can help you strategically tackle the next hunting season, helping to ensure more success, more stories to tell, and more taxidermy bills.

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## Gribbs team finishes 3-2 at state 8U tournament

BY MARK GOODSON  
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Gatesville Gribbs Construction competed in the Texas Tenn-Age Baseball 8U Pitching Machine State Tournament last week hosted by Moody and Troy.

The team finished 3-2 in the double elimination tournament. Gribbs beat the Brownwood Cubs 7-4 in the opening game on Tuesday followed by a 4-1 loss to Crawford Stevens sending the team to the loser's bracket.

Wednesday came with a pair of wins against Hamilton Lewelling (7-5) and Franklin Douglas (11-9) making Gribbs one of six teams left standing. Gatesville ran into an offensive buzzsaw on Thursday when Gribbs got knocked out by the Troy

Trojans by a score of 21-13.

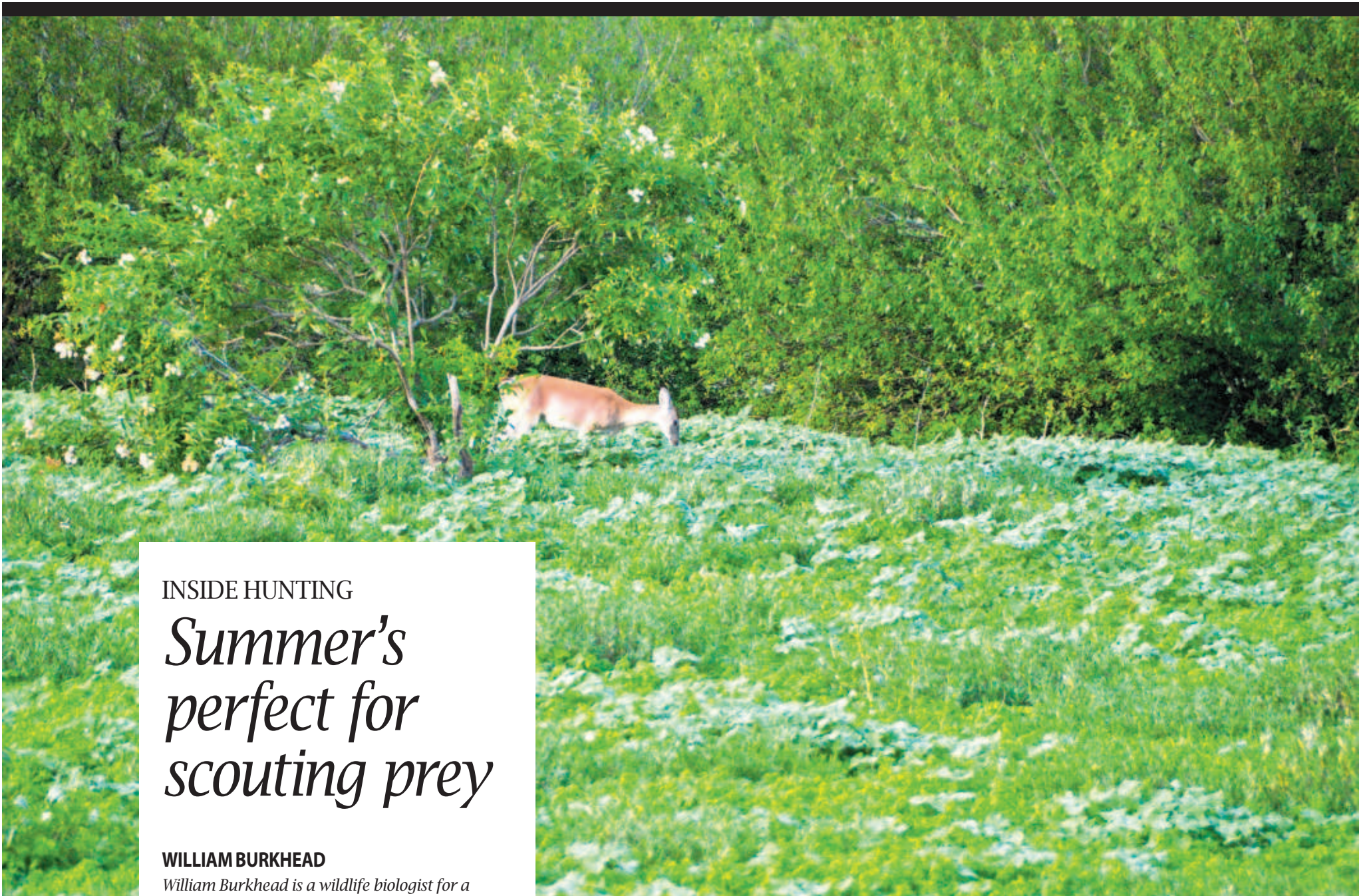
Gribbs earned a spot in the State Tournament by finishing in first place in Gatesville's city league with an overall regular season record of 9-1.

Team Members in the picture are as follows from left to right:

Rhyder Peel  
Kyson Snyder  
Dawson Jaynes  
Martin Russell  
Jaysin Rainey  
Owen Collins  
Caleb Hernandez  
Roman Pruitt  
Kaidon Sedberry  
Slayton Fisher  
Payton Seager  
Jayce Hoffman  
Jake Watts



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### INSIDE HUNTING

## Summer's perfect for scouting prey

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Summer for deer hunters can be a very dull and mundane time of the year. However, there is something about summer that always peaks the curious and adventurous mind of a whitetail deer fanatic.

Summertime scouting allows hunters to march back into the woods, burning off the many calories that have been added since Christmas.

The highly devoted deer hunter finds value in learning a new property or even hunting a property you have been on for generations. Summertime scouting always offers a plethora of opportunities to learn and better understand the habitat and behaviors of the deer herd.

The secret to scout successfully during the summer months lies in where you place your focus, bedding areas, feeding areas and travel corridors.

Like many hunters, deer have preferred spots to rest their weary eyes — much like my grandfather and his recliner.

Bedding areas are divided into

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**BOUNTIFUL BUFFET:** A white-tailed doe, top, foraging in an opening, surrounded by nutritious vegetation.

**TRACKING DEER:** A buck rub, left, in a travel corridor on public land.

COURTESY PHOTO BY WILLIAM BURKHEAD

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## Hornets gearing up for football season

BY MARK GOODSON  
*Sports Editor*

The Gatesville Hornets are gaining numbers in the football program, head coach Luke Howard said Tuesday.

The Hornets are gearing for the start of football drills that begin Aug. 2.

"All our coaches will be back in the

office this week getting equipment ready and all those things," Howard said. It's about to get real busy."

The Hornets will carry 40 to 45 players on the varsity this season. All of the varsity candidates are cleared and ready," Howard said. "We took care of those (free physicals) back in the spring. The new

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**TEAM WORKOUT:** Kinlee Gardner makes a return during Wednesday's skills workout for the Lady Hornets. Gardner is an incoming freshman.

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## Volleyball team takes shape

BY MARK GOODSON  
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The clock is ticking for the first day of volleyball workouts for the Lady Hornets.

"We've been counting down each week," said Gatesville volleyball head coach Janey Weber. "A lot of them have had busy summers with strength and conditioning and our

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