



### GATESVILLE CITY COUNCIL Council members file for reelection

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

Two of the three Gatesville City Council members eligible for reelection have filed to run again.

Council member Claude Williams filed to run for his Ward 1, Place 1 seat on Aug. 11. Williams was elected in Nov. 2020, finishing an unexpired term.

Mayor Pro-Tem Meredith Rainer filed to run for her Ward 1, Place 3 seat on Aug. 12. Rainer has served on the council since Nov. 2015.

Council Member Greg Casey had not formally filed by press time on Friday, however, he told the Messenger at the Aug. 12 council meeting he would likely file to run again by the Aug. 16 deadline.

The election will take place on Nov. 2 with early voting beginning on Oct. 18.



Rainer



Casey

## Modernizing county-owned facilities is group's mission

County facility advisory committee meets for first time

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
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The Coryell County Facility Advisory Committee — formed to provide guidance to the Coryell County Commissioners Court on how to modernize county-owned and operated facilities, including future jail space — met for the first time Aug. 12.

"Honestly, we have been struggling as a county for years," Commissioner Daren Moore said at the Aug. 12 Commissioners Court meeting introducing the committee members. "It's always been a

factor of resources, money and the ability to pay for it."

Moore, who has served on the court since 2007, said in the past when the county would run out of space it would purchase a building at a \$100,000 price tag and then pay an additional \$50,000 to remodel it.

"It fixes our problem for a year or two, but when we run out of room again, we move somewhere else," Moore said. "That's evident of our footprint in the whole downtown area, to include Copperas Cove."

The county footprint includes

22 buildings, 19 of which are in Gatesville, and two additional in Copperas Cove that the county is renting, according to a spreadsheet provided by Coryell County Judge Rodger Miller. The county owns six additional properties totaling 38 acres.

"The footprint has bunions all over it. We need to fix it," Nancy Botkin, a member of the advisory committee said during the Aug. 12 Commissioners Court meeting. Botkin is a retired senior warden for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

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## Downtown shop to shutter doors for good



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TREASURE HUNT: Gatesville resident Eva Matthews and her grandchildren look through the bins outside of Fabulous Finds Aug. 6. The store will close Oct. 1.

### Fabulous Finds to close Oct. 1

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
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For nearly 15 years Lynda Sue Wooten has sifted through storage units, rummaged through estate sales and bartered with customers to fill her downtown shop.

Open since 2007 Fabulous Finds has rows of books, stacks of games, hangers of clothes and a hodgepodge of household knickknacks.

But come Oct. 1 Wooten, 76, will be closing her doors for good, ending her second career to focus on traveling.

"You do wake up one day and realize, I'm not running the store, the store is running me," Wooten said. "I guess I've given up the fight. I'll miss my customers."

Wooten said the forced closures during the pandemic and a lack of foot traffic from jury trials had a significant impact on her business. Even as restrictions have lifted this summer business has been touch and go with the constant stress of simply keeping the lights on.

"It kind of took the fun out of doing it," Wooten said.

Wooten opened the store after retiring from civil service in 2005 and wanting something to do. Her brother Keith Sears had owned the

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STORE CLOSING: Lynda Sue Wooten checks out Eva Matthews at Fabulous Finds on Aug. 6. Wooten is closing her store down after almost 15 years in downtown Gatesville.

## Former Hillside Nursing Home rezoned to commercial

Move opens door to sale of property

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

The former Hillside Nursing Home building at 101 South 34th Street was rezoned from community facility to business commercial by the Gatesville City Council Aug. 10.

The Gatesville ISD Educational Foundation, which owns the property, made the request in an attempt to sell the property to a commercial developer.

"The zoning change opens up that property for private investment," Director of Planning and Communi-

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## INSIDE JONESBORO GOAT INVADES GRIDIRON



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### QUESTION & ANSWER CORNER

Q: What is the oldest building in Coryell County?

A: The old log jail that was built in 1854. It is now on exhibit at the Coryell Museum and Historical Center.

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# COUNTY WIDE

## Spurfest to be held Sept. 18

There will be something for everyone at the 20th edition of Spurfest at the Coryell Museum and Historical Center Sept. 18. The event is free and runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Activities will include "Old Time Demonstrations," the "Shriners Karem Cowboys," a quilt raffle, fresh churned butter and chuck wagon biscuits and gravy, and several activities for children. There will be vendors and music.

Visitors to the museum can see antique cars, the soda shop, the historic log jail and view a large collection of spurs in the "Lloyd Mitchell Spur Collection."

Food vendors can rent a space for \$60. Non-food spaces cost \$30 for a spot outside and \$40 for spaces in the air-conditioned Gilbreath Room.

For more information, call Hal Davidson or Erv Adams at 254-865-5007, or email to coryellmuseumhc@yahoo.com.

## Beautiful quilt donated for Spurfest raffle

The Senior Citizen Center quilting ladies have donated a beautiful handmade quilt to the Coryell Museum to be raffled at Spurfest.

The museum will be selling 104 tickets at \$10 each. Tickets can be purchased from museum board members or by calling 254-865-5007.

Any volunteer interested in selling tickets can call Catherine Fulton at 254-223-0014.

The drawing will take place at Spurfest Sept. 18.

## Search continues for Carver School owners

BY DAVID SCOTT  
Staff Writer

Members of the Coryell County Historical Commission met June 11 and discussed the current research that is underway on the Carver School.

Commission member Sherry Lawrence told the group of her efforts to locate the current landowners of the property in order to obtain permission to place a historical marker near the school. Lawrence discussed her search using records in the County Clerk's Office and at the tax of-

ice. According to her extensive deed research, she determined that the first documentation of an African American school in Gatesville was found in deed records in 1904 and that it was originally located at Depot and Lutterloh Streets. It cannot be determined when the Carver School was built at the corner of Mills and Church Streets.

If approval is granted by the property owners, the commission would then apply for a marker and submit a narrative.

The marker application may be

applied for using the Texas State Historical Commission's "Undertold Stories." Coryell County Historical Commission Chairman, Danny Corbett, reported that in 2020, the TSHC approved fifteen of the Undertold Story applications, two of which were about African American Schools.

The historical commission met in the County Commissioners Courtroom at the Coryell County Annex.

## Fundraiser for electrocuted man

A fundraiser was recently held at Bare Bones Barbeque for Jason Shields who was electrocuted by a power line on Main Street in June.

Shields remains hospitalized at Dell Seton Medical Center burn trauma unit in Austin. The fundraiser event included live music, a live and silent auction, a dunking booth, bounce houses for the children and a corn hole tournament.

Wally Ellisor, a manager at Bare Bones, said that they had a really good turnout for the benefit.

"It's really good to see how the community comes together on an event like this," Ellisor said.

He also said many donated a number of items for the auction.

Birgit Shields, wife of Jason Shields, recently posted an update on her husband's condition. She reported that he is still in ICU, but that he's making good progress.

"We have heard from several nurses and doctors that he has quickly become the favorite patient on this floor with his positive attitude and easygoing personality even when he's in extreme pain," Birgit said.

She also said that he will need to go to a long-term care facility after leaving Seton Medical Center to finish his wound treatments and rehab.

"Please keep your prayers coming, they are very much appreciated," Birgit added.

## Best beard bragging rights

Gentlemen, ladies and children? Prepare to show your beards at Spurfest Sept. 18.

There will be four categories:

- New beards. Contestants must be clean shaven on Saturday, Aug. 7. Come by the Museum on that day from 10 am-4 pm or provide us with a selfie of your clean shaven face with a timestamp (or in front of a newspaper with that date).

- Existing beards. This will be judged on longest, fullest, most original, most like Grizzly Adams, etc. You can use styling tools, beard balm and waxes.

- Fake beards. This will be open to men, women and children. You can be as creative as you please. Contestants need to be at Spurfest to be judged. Times for judging will be announced in future Messenger articles.

## GriefShare to hold program

GriefShare will be held weekly from 5-7 p.m., at First Baptist Church of Gatesville beginning Aug. 25 and ending Nov. 17

GriefShare is a faith-based program that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. If you or someone you know are in need of support, encouragement and help on your journey of grief please consider coming to one of the meetings.

You may enroll online at <http://www.GriefShare.org> or in-person at the first meeting. There is a fee of \$15 for the workbook.

For questions call the church office at 254-865-2014.

## Seeking tips for a burglary of a white F-250

Crime Stoppers is seeking information that can help with a motor vehicle burglary Aug. 1.

The crime occurred in the 100 block of Dodds Creek Drive between midnight and 7 a.m. A white 2012 F-250 was burglarized and a backpack containing various items including insulin was stolen from the vehicle.

The cost of the backpack and medication was valued at over \$385.

Call Centex Crime Stoppers 24 hours a day at 1-254-865-8477 (TIPS) or visit its website at [www.Centexcrimestoppers.org](http://www.Centexcrimestoppers.org) or by downloading the "P3" mobile app available on both the Apple app store and Google Play Store.

Tips are anonymous, and if your information leads to an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward.

## ZONING

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ty Development Rene Ochoa said. "It takes another vacant property, another vacant building and puts it back on the tax rolls."

The name of the developer or potential buyer was not disclosed at the meeting.

The Gatesville Planning and Zoning Commission heard the zoning change request at their July 12 meeting, approving the changes.

The adopted Future Land Use Map from the 2020 Comprehensive Plan designated the area as appropriate for commercial use.

No letters were returned for or against the change, according to Ochoa. The zoning change was unanimously approved by the council on Tuesday.

**SET TO SELL:** The Gatesville ISD Educational Foundation requested the zoning change to its property so it can be sold to a developer.

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space to house his comics, coins and sports collectables shop. When Sears decided to move to South Carolina in 2007 he sold Wooten the building.

When she started, Wooten primarily did estate sales and buy/trade/sell with customers to build up her inventory. Later she purchased storage units and added consignment.

While most of her customers are

local to the Killeen/Temple/Waco region, Wooten has seen people from as far away as New York and Oklahoma patronize her store. She has regular customers who include her store on their antiquing circuit of the area.

Collectors of all kinds have shopped at Fabulous Finds. She regularly sells collectible lighters. People are always looking for random collectible figurines, including a recent inquiry about dachshund figurines (which she had). And she even gets odd requests like a customer looking for old canes (she

had those too).

When she was able to open up again last year Wooten noticed an uptick in requests for games and craft items to entertain kids at home.

But for Wooten it's less about finding the perfect item and more about connecting with people.

"A shop owner is a lot like a bartender. People will tell you the doggondest things. And they don't mind asking you questions, really personal questions," Wooten said. "You learn to be discrete about your own business and listen to what they have to say about theirs."

Wooten still hopes to connect with people, but more as a traveler than a shop owner. After she closes and sells her store she plans to travel the U.S. with a friend. She hopes to see her brother in South Carolina more often.

Fabulous Finds will close on Oct. 1. All items are currently on sale and Wooten said she's willing to negotiate. Anything not sold will be donated to several local charities. She will sell the building and let someone else usher in a new era at 107 South Seventh Street.

"I really do appreciate all the cus-

tomers who have patronized my business," Wooten said.

## CORRECTION

The proposed city tax rate will require voter approval in November. An article on the front page of the Aug. 14 edition incorrectly stated that fact. We regret the error.



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FROM MY FRONT PORCH

# Cowboys let bygones be bygones for Hall of Fame weekend

**SAM HOUSTON**

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Houston

For me, one of the best moments of the induction was listening to coach Johnson's speech. I

am sure there were a great many people who wondered what he would have to say about his former boss Jerry Jones. The two did not have a particularly amicable separation and there has been a tense relationship between the two ever since Johnson left the team.

Some think Jerry wanted too much of the credit for the Cowboys success in the 90s. Others feel like Jimmy

was out of line in his past comments of Mr. Jones. Interestingly, Johnson started his address by thanking Jerry Jones for allowing him to coach the Cowboys, and he also stated with emphasis, "WE built the great Cowboys teams of the 90."

Over the weekend, Jones also announced Johnson would soon be joining the Cowboys Ring of Honor. The two old college teammates publicly made strong positive statements about each other. Maybe all the conflict and squabbling of the past is over, and two Cowboy Hall of Famers can share the limelight and the glory of days gone

by, standing side by side with a smile on their face. Maybe bygones are now bygones! I sure hope so.

**SCHOOL TIME AGAIN**

Is it really time to start school again?

Earlier this week I got a wake-up call on just how darn old I had become. In my mind we should be celebrating Valentine's Day, or Easter at the latest, but no, time has flown by and it is just about time for school to start!

How could that possibly be? Seems like summer just got started and now the Cowboys have already had an exhibition game,

the retailers just had their "tax-free weekend," and I heard my first advertisement about Labor Day weekend!

When I think about middle school teachers I imagine middle aged women in dresses, and those low-heeled shoes of the style my teachers wore when I was in the 7th grade. When a group of middle school educators stopped by my office, I thought I was being visited by high school students, not teachers! How did teachers get to be so young? The ones I remember were "old" and seemed like grandmothers. The truth is the only

person who was old in our conversation was me!

It was very nice to have some of the school staff come by the newspaper. It will not be long until the school buses roll, classes start, and homework begins. Let's hope the school year is safe and positive for all!

Thought for the day: When friends forgive each other, they lift the weight off their shoulders that had kept them from growing into the kind of men they always wished to be. Until next time...

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# DPS urges drivers to be aware as school year begins

**A**USTIN - With the school year beginning in person for many districts across the state, the Texas Department of Public Safety is reminding the public of steps they can take to keep students and staff members safe. This includes slowing down in school zones, staying off cell phones and being aware at all times while around school buses.

"Going back to school is an exciting time for students, parents and staff, but it is paramount that drivers are more alert when around buses and schools," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "I urge everyone on the road to be proactive and help ensure children arrive to and from school safely each and every day."

DPS offers the following tips for school safety:

- Give students extra room and don't assume they are paying attention to traffic. Students are frequently distracted by mobile devices or listening on electronic devices and may not be paying attention to their surroundings.
- Don't block a crosswalk when stopped at a red light or stop sign.
- Follow the directions of school crossing guards.
- Watch for children on bicycles traveling to and from schools.
- Reduce speed when you spot



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**SAFETY REMINDER:** The Texas Department of Safety is urging drivers to help keep students and school staff safe as classes begin.

a school bus and know children may unexpectedly step into the road without checking for oncoming traffic.

■ Be careful around railroad crossings. School buses are legally required to stop at them.

■ Know laws regarding school buses. According to Texas law, if a bus has alternating flashing red signals visible from the

front or rear, drivers MUST stop before reaching the bus. Drivers can only proceed if the flashing lights are no longer activated, the driver signals you to proceed or the bus has resumed driving. Approaching drivers do NOT have to stop for a school bus that is operating a visual signal if the road is separated by a physical barrier or an intervening space. If a high-

way is only divided by a left-turn lane, it is not considered divided and drivers must stop for school buses.

■ Drivers who illegally pass a school bus face fines up to \$1,250 for the first offense. For people convicted of the offense more than once, the law allows for the person's driver license to be suspended for up to six months. A ticket for

this offense cannot be dismissed through defensive driving. Criminal charges are possible if a driver causes someone serious bodily injury.

- Always obey speed limits and traffic laws in school zones.
- Remember, texting while driving is illegal in Texas.

## COUNTY SCHOOL TAX RATES

Coryell County school districts are submitting their proposed tax rate for the 2021-22 budget cycle. Every district in the count is proposing to lower their tax rate compared to last year's rate. Below are the proposed rates by district, as well as when each district will hold public hearings on the rate.

**Gatesville ISD**

Last Year: \$1.1645  
This Year: \$1.067  
Public hearing: Aug 30 at 5:30 p.m. in GISD Boardroom

**Oglesby ISD**

Last Year: \$0.971  
This Year: \$0.960  
Public hearing: Aug. 30 at 6 p.m. in Oglesby ISD Boardroom

**Evant ISD**

Last Year: \$0.9313  
This Year: \$0.8720  
Public hearing: Aug. 30 at 6 p.m. in Evant ISD School Library

**Jonesboro ISD**

Last Year: \$1.1124  
This Year: \$1.0573  
Public hearing: Aug. 25 at 6 p.m. in JISD Library

## COUNTY

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inal Justice and was appointed by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

Botkin's expertise with jail

administration will be an asset in addressing the lack of space at the county jail. Limited space at the jail has forced Coryell County Sheriff Scott Williams to send inmates to other counties at a cost of \$50 to \$85 per

person.

Coryell County voters rejected a \$30 million bond to build a new jail in the May election.

The committee also includes Matt Dossey, the superintendent of Jonesboro

ISD, Fred Chavez, a Copperas Cove City Council Member, Bob Brown, a resident of Gatesville, and Lynn Massingill.

The advisory committee's meetings will not be subject to the Texas Open Meetings

Act and may not be open to the public. The commissioners court did not give the committee a deadline for delivering its findings.

## County to continue broadcasting Commissioners Court meetings online

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
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The Coryell County Commissioners Court voted Tuesday to continue to broadcast its meetings via Zoom.

Due to the county's population, the court is not required to broadcast the

meetings live. But when the pandemic hit in spring of 2020 the court began to broadcast the meetings.

"I think with the current situation we can continue with Zooming them," Commissioner Kyle Matthews said. "Those folks that want to show up in person have that ability and those folks

who chose to stay at the house also have that ability."

The biggest objection Judge Roger Miller had was who would set up the equipment to do the recording.

The court passed the motion unanimously. The county will have until its next meeting on Monday to figure it out.

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## NEWS FROM PEARL

# Shoot that snake or else: 'deee-voice'

BY BETSY CLARK

Please keep Ruth Penny in your prayers as she is dealing with serious health issues. Ruth and her family have been great supporters of the Pearl Baptist Church, Pearl Bluegrass, and Pearl in general for years. We wish her a very speedy recovery!

Unfortunately, we have had some sad news in Pearl the last couple of weeks, losing two people who were very dear to us. First, Wendy Cole and Coleen Gartman's mother, Mikki Schneider, passed away July 26. Mikki loved the Pearl Bluegrass and attended as often as she could. She also played trumpet for nursing home residents and was a part of the music program in her church.

Bobbie Jean Harris, sister of Roy and Debbie Harris, also passed away Aug. 9 in Mississippi. Bobbie Jean loved coming to Pearl with the Harris family, and she was especially fond of the Pearl Church of Christ VBS.

We will miss both of these dear ladies and extend our deepest sympathies to their families.

## CEMETERY PAVILION

The Pearl Cemetery Association is still accepting donations to build a pavilion for shelter from the often-harsh weather conditions during interments and services.

You may send a donation or a donation in memory of a loved one to Pearl Cemetery Association, C/O Linda Ray, 1771 CR 152, Purmela, TX 76566. For information, call Linda at 254-865-9282. Thank you in advance for your support!

## A PEARL WELCOME

The Pearl Community Center Board met July 19 to make the Sept. 11 Bluegrass event the Pearl homecoming and reunion. The gathering will welcome all new "Pearlites."

All local and returning Pearl residents and new attendees and residents will receive special recognition and a hearty welcome during the Stage Show event. Please put Sept. 11 on your calendar to come to Pearl, and to bring friends, family, and even people you meet on the street. There's no place like Pearl!

## FISH FRY

Sunday, Sept. 5, will be the Atchley Fish Fry and Silent Auction following the 10:30 a.m. service at



Clark

Pearl Church of Christ.

The Fish Fry and Auction benefit scholarships for His Kids of Lampasas and local scholarships. Everyone is invited to attend. Auction items will begin to appear in the church dining room and Sunday school room starting Aug. 22. Drop by and place your bids. Bidding usually closes at noon on the day of the auction. To donate items, please call Linda Ray at 254-865-9282.

## SHOOT THAT SNAKE

A Pearl couple has been dealing with a rat snake. It seems that Mr. Dickey does not want to shoot those helpful creatures, but Mrs. Dickey strongly disagrees. A "deee-

voice" has been threatened if the Mr. does not shoot to kill any and all snakes in the future!

We've got enough problems dealing with that traveling bikini. And (hint, hint—see below as we do not ever gossip or name the innocent in Pearl—cough, cough) speaking of "The Bikini," here is an important update:

## ABOUT THAT BIKINI

The Bikini is Back in Texas Well, the bikini that's smaller than a pair of sunglasses finally got kicked out of Kentucky—they're awfully strict there—and it ended up in the mailbox of the lady known as "The Goat Lady" just on the outskirts of Pearl.

She got this sobriquet because she is always chasing, feeding, and tending to the hundreds of goats she has acquired in the past couple of years. In fact, the goats have over-taken her life much to her family's chagrin.

The Goat Lady even has a goat hospital and a goat maternity ward. We hear that the way she maintains some control over these somewhat domesticated animals is that she talks very sternly to them which buffalos them into thinking that the otherwise docile lady is very strict and a little scary.

But, rumor has it that since The Goat Lady has acquired this teeny,

weeny, turquoise greeny, stringy bikini—and IS making use of it—there have been a lot of goat stampedes in that particular part of Pearl.

The Goat Lady's husband and children are not happy, and in fact, avoid contact with this wayward family member as much as possible. However, we do not gossip in Pearl (swallowing hard), so I cannot tell you Mrs. Goat Lady's real name since we intend to protect the innocent in this small community.

Just remember, though, that Pearl is the home of the young and the rest of us, and the rest of us live in Pearl. There's no place like Pearl.

The closing verse for this week comes from Ephesians 2:10—For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

To keep up with the latest Pearl news online, you can go to the "Pearl Cottage Bookstore" Facebook page, the "Pearl Community Center" Facebook page, or the "Pearl Church of Christ" Facebook page. The Pearl Community Center also has a website: www.pearltx-communitycenter.com. Or you can contact me at betsyclarke47@yahoo.com for information or to submit any Pearl news that you might have.

## Whatever happened to...

## TWENTY YEARS AGO (2001)

- Mike Meier, immediate past president of the Gatesville Exchange Club, was awarded the Distinguished Club President Award by the national office.
- Pedro Quintero, son of Jessie and Alejandrina Quiroz, left for Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos where he was to play football for the Bobcats.
- Kelli Hopson, daughter of David and Pam Hopson, was getting prepared to attend Baylor University in Waco.
- Johnnie Palmer of Gatesville was honored with a party for her 95th birthday. She was born Aug. 7, 1906, in the Owl Creek area of Coryell County, the daughter of George and Annie Copeland.
- Jed Colten Smith celebrated his first birthday at Faunt Le Roy Park where his family hosted a hot dog cookout.
- Oglesby assistant football coach Wyatt Keeney reported all of the offensive positions for the Tigers were set, but a battle was continuing for the last remaining starting defensive slot.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO (1991)

- Mr. and Mrs. T.R. (Red) Thompson, Sr. of Jonesboro, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Gatesville Housing Authority. "Red" and the former Effie (Peggy) Henson were married August 30, 1941 in the home of her parents in Gatesville.
- Stephanie Morrison, daughter of Robert and Sue Morrison of Gatesville, was selected as 2nd runner-up in the Miss Central Texas Fair pageant held in Clifton.
- David White, local DPS Trooper and President of the Central Texas Law Enforce-

ment Association, presented 1991 Gatesville High School graduate Preston Jund a scholarship check for \$500. Jund, son of David and Sallie Jund of Gatesville, planned to attend McMurray College in Abilene.

- Larry Epps of Gatesville graduated from Baylor University in Waco. Epps, a 1983 graduate of Gatesville High School, received a bachelor of business administration degree.
- Mona L. Regalado, Ray L. Riddle, Justin K. Wall, all Gatesville residents, were listed on the Dean's Honor Roll at Texas State Technical Institute in Waco.
- Marine Lance Corporal Charles W. McLean, son of Carrie B. Day of Gatesville, graduated from the Basic Avionics Aviation Electronics Technician Course near Memphis, Tennessee.

## FORTY YEARS AGO (1981)

- Regina Kunkel, Gatesville 4-H girl, was a blue-ribbon winner in the junior division of the District Eight 4-H fashion revue held recently at the Perry Country Club in Hamilton.
- Sgt. Thomas G. Majuslak arrived for duty at Hanau, West Germany. Majuslak, an assistant motor sergeant with the 3rd Armored Division, was previously assigned at Fort Hood.
- Scott Stephens returned to Gatesville after a 10-week tour as a summer missionary in the Baton Rouge, La. He was commissioned by the Southern Baptists' Home Mission Board to serve as a summer missionary.
- Mr. and Mrs. Travis Wall were honored on their 50th anniversary with a dinner. Travis Wall and the former Eloise Lockaby were married Aug. 9, 1931 in Flat with Rev.

Earl Harper officiating.

- The William Elmo Powell Post No. 8230 Veterans of Foreign Wars, were raising funds to erect a granite monument on the courthouse lawn to honor Coryell County's dead of the Korean and Vietnam Wars.
- Mrs. Ruthann Webster, formerly of Jonesboro, completed requirements for a bachelor of science degree in advertising at the University of Texas in Austin.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO (1971)

- Hugh D. Robbins, Robert L. Brown and Verdine K. Whitt were among nine civilian employees of the Maintenance Division at Fort Hood who received certificates and cash awards for their participation in the Army Suggestion Program.
- County Treasurer Vesta Leonard, accompanied by her husband, Raymond Leonard, attended the annual conference of the County Treasurers' Association of Texas in Odessa.
- Julie Tatum and Joe Jones were named 'Best All Around Girl and Boy' at Gatesville's Junior Rodeo.
- Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pollard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their home joined by their children and various family members.
- Paul Mayberry was appointed assistant superintendent of the Lufkin State School. He had been serving as business manager with the school since May 1, 1962.
- James V. Sellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Sellers of Gatesville, received a bachelor of science degree from Mary Hardin-Baylor College at Belton. He majored in sociology.



Kathy and Joe Crawford

## Crawfords celebrate half a century of marital bliss

Joe and Kathy Crawford of Gatesville will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner on Aug. 14 at the home of their daughter and son-in-law Courtney and Grant Kinsey.

Joe Crawford and the former Kathy Sims were married Saturday, Aug. 14, 1971, at Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. Loftus Nunley officiating.

Joe and Kathy are graduates of Gatesville High School and Texas State University. Joe is a retired Medical Technologist and Kathy retired from First Texas Agency. She also served as Executive Secretary for the Gatesville Lions Club for 35 years.

They enjoy watching the activities of their two grandchildren, Lane and Lilly Kinsey and are members of Eastwood Baptist Church.

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BOOK REVIEW

# Romance delivers on a 'happily-ever-after' promise

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

Your little toe hangs off the side. Urgh. Behind your ankle, your foot sticks out a half an inch, too, and you simply must face it: the sandals you lust after, the last pair marked down, are too small. Unlike Cinderella's sister, you can't cut off your toes. Maybe, as in the new novel "If The Shoe Fits" by Julie Murphy, you should just cool your heels awhile.

Taking care of preschool triplets is a great summer job. On a plane from New York to L.A., Cindy Woods tried to tell herself that. It would be nice to see her little half-siblings. She missed her stepsisters and her stepmother, too, but it was hard to leave New York because all her dreams were there. At least they were, back when the world was hers for the taking; once she graduated from college with no job in sight, though, her hopes for a career in shoe design were dashed. Caring for the triplets would at least be some sort of distraction, although not

as good as the handsome distraction of the flight. That distraction flirted shamelessly with Cindy, and he admitted to having a thing for reality romance shows. Both of these surprised her: overweight her whole life, she wasn't used to the "Prince Charming" type flirting with her. And since her stepmother, Erica, was the producer of one of those shows, and since Cindy knew allllll about them, well, she figured everybody saw through the silliness. Alas, the ratings of Erica's show needed a boost and a bold idea began to take place once Cindy arrived in L.A.,



"If the Shoe Fits: A Meant to Be Novel" by Julie Murphy  
c.2021, Hyperion \$26.99 / \$33.99 Canada 304 pages

Author Julie Murphy ensures that you won't have to worry that the hero and heroine will lose their respective paths to bliss.

one that secretly included her as contestant. She couldn't say "NO" fast enough, until she thought a minute. She wasn't the kind of girl that Before Midnight would normally have on-camera, but being a contestant could put her shoe designs in front of a national audience. It might lead to a move back to New York City, and a job with a designer. It might lead to a great career. It might lead to love. From here until Labor Day, your schedule is packed. Last-minute this, shoe-horned-in that, your brain doesn't have much room for reading, which is why you need "If the Shoe Fits." The easy thing to know about it is this: you already know how it ends. You do.

Like any good fairy tale, there's a Happily-Ever-After that's promised and delivered, but not in a way that loses a reader's interest between meeting and true love. Author Julie Murphy ensures that you won't have to worry that the hero and heroine will lose their respective paths to bliss because this isn't that kind of book. Predictability is key here, characters, setting, and all, but it's exactly what you want in a romance. Be aware that there's a touch of minor profanity here but it's realistically used and nothing you can't handle, so go ahead. Immerse yourself in a little escapism with a kiss. For you, "If the Shoe Fits" is sized just right.

# The DISPATCH

TNT-280 08-19/5

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through law enforcement dispatchers during the period of August 2 - 4. While there were many calls, 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.

**CITY OF GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**August 11**  
11:46 a.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 1100 block of Waco Street.  
1:16 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.  
6:45 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 100 block of N. 27th Street.  
10:16 p.m., a structure fire was reported in the 2500 block of Ransom.

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**August 12**  
3:56 a.m., an accident was reported in the 100 block of E. Main Street.  
9:52 a.m., a theft was reported in the 1700 block of E. Main Street.  
3:38 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 10000 block of S. State Hwy. 36.  
4:42 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of Isabelle Drive.  
8:37 p.m., an assault was reported in the 1500 block of W. Main Street.

7:47 p.m., a minor accident was reported at the Hwy. 9 and Hwy. 190 intersection.  
11:15 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 2600 block of S. Tablerock Road.

**August 13**  
5:11 a.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 2100 block of Bailey Drive.  
8:00 a.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of N. 16th Street.  
11:38 a.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 2800 block of S. State Hwy. 36.  
6:09 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 1000 block of Saunders Street.  
8:57 p.m., a missing person was reported in the 6700 block of Owl Creek Park Road.

**August 12**  
7:52 a.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 3300 block of S. Tablerock Road.  
10:31 a.m., animal neglect was reported in the 11000 block of N. State Hwy. 36.  
11:13 a.m., identity theft as reported in the 300 block of Gaylon.  
11:26 p.m., burglary of a habitation was reported in the 2000 block of Old Fort Gates Road.  
11:37 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on S. Hwy. 36.

**August 14**  
4:18 p.m., a threat was reported in the 6600 block of Owl Creek Park Road.  
4:23 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 500 block of N. 11th Street.  
4:56 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 400 block of N. 14th Street.  
6:01 p.m., an intoxicated driver was reported in the 400 block of N. 14th Street.

**August 13**  
10:45 a.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 2700 block of Big Valley Road.  
3:07 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 3300 block of S. Tablerock.  
3:31 p.m., a suspicious vehicle was reported on Hwy. 84 rest area near Greenbriar.  
4:43 p.m., an out of control burn was reported in the 1100 block of Lutheran Church Road.  
11:29 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on N. FM 116 and Lonesome Oak.

**CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**August 11**  
12:13 p.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 300 block of CR 79.  
2:38 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on Highway 84.  
7:07 p.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 1000 block of Kubitz Road.

**August 14**  
6:51 a.m., a major accident was reported in the 2100 block of CR 2640.  
11:44 a.m., missing livestock was reported in the 8500 block of FM 1783.  
4:27 p.m., a minor accident was reported on FM 116 and Elijah Road.  
6:44 p.m., theft was reported in the 1900 block of FM 580.  
10:14 p.m., a suspicious person was reported in the 1700 block of Old Georgetown Road.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The EVANT ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM 08/30/2021 in School Library of Evant ISD Evant, TX. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

<b>Maintenance Tax</b>	\$0.872000 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
<b>School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters</b>	\$0.000000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	2.000000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Debt service	0.000000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	2.000000% (increase) or	% (decrease)

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$175,512,455	\$193,255,527
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$3,801,930	\$3,719,010
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$119,718,626	\$133,161,460
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$3,723,310	\$3,643,889

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$0

\* Outstanding principal

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.931300	\$0.000000*	\$0.931300	\$4,319	\$8,267
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.876560	\$0.000000*	\$0.876560	\$5,151	\$7,436
Proposed Rate	\$0.872000	\$0.000000*	\$0.872000	\$4,629	\$7,810

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$129,069	\$143,427
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$98,302	\$109,623
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.931300	\$0.872000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$915.48	\$955.91
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$40.43

**Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.**

**Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 0.872000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 0.872000.**

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$353,334
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

# A broadcast museum worth hearing about

BY TUMBLEWEED SMITH

When some Cub Scouts toured Chuck Conrad's radio station in Kilgore, Chuck showed them some equipment that dated back to the days when telephones were rare.

One youngster asked a question: "If they didn't have phones, how did they get on the internet?" Chuck realized that these kids needed to learn about the early days of broadcasting and how it works today. Soon after that visit by the Cub Scouts, Chuck opened The Texas Museum of Broadcasting and Communications.

"We have a working TV news set," says Chuck. "We have a working radio studio so you can cue up a record or play a tape cartridge if you like. There's a lot of interactive things and our equipment works."

Chuck knows about equipment. Before he branched out into broadcasting full-time he had a huge sound equipment company that provided public address systems for large gatherings. One popular item in the museum is a TV news bus.

"As far as I know it is the oldest fully restored television

mobile news unit anywhere. I know of a couple of others that are roughly the same age but they are not restored."

TV sets play some popular old shows.

"We have Howdy Doody on one of them. Johnny Carson is on another. We've got Dick Clark's American Bandstand and the camera that was used on the Lawrence Welk Show. It's kind of ironic that the first Champagne Lady on the Lawrence Welk show was from Kilgore. It's really weird how a lot of this stuff intertwines."

The museum building has 17,000 square feet and

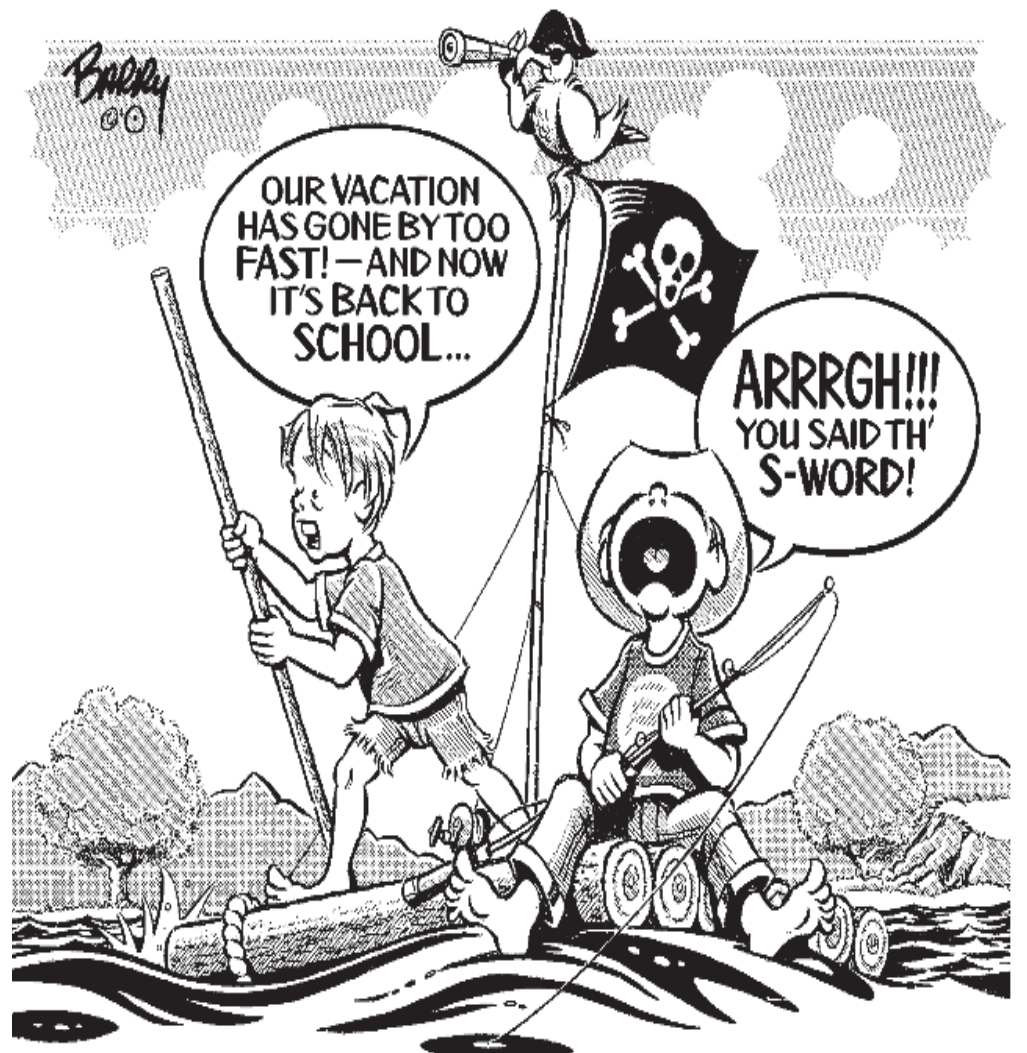
visitors are impressed with what's in it.

"I don't think we've ever had a negative comment about it. Everybody is pretty well blown away by it. The usual comment is 'I didn't know it was this big.' More than once I've heard visitors tell me 'you know I didn't think I was going to like this but I had a really good time.'"

One item that history buffs find fascinating is a World War II Hitler radio.

"If you were living in one of Hitler's territories and you had a radio that was capable of picking up the BBC or Voice of America you stood a real good chance of getting shot. You were supposed to buy one of these special radios that would only pick up Hitler's radio stations."

Broadcasters are always donating equipment so a second building with 8,000 square feet has opened. Some equipment is from a long time ago. Once an old broadcaster went to see the museum. He told Chuck, "I'm actually in a place where I know how to run some of this stuff." A lot of broadcasters who are familiar with the old consoles and turntables go to the museum to reminisce.

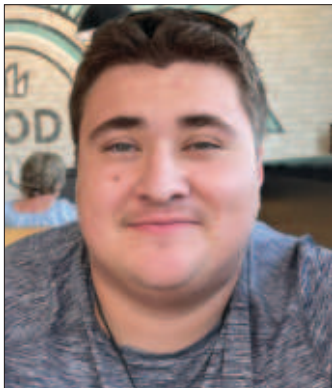


## OBITUARIES

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### WYATT AUSTIN TACKETT

September 4, 2000 - August 10, 2021



Wyatt Austin Tackett, age 20 of Gatesville, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on August 10, 2021.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 21, 2021 at the Gatesville High School auditorium, 205 S. Lovers Lane, Gatesville, Texas 76528. The family will receive visitors following services at the school.

Wyatt touched so many people during his time on this earth and left a hole in the hearts of all who knew him. He was born on September 4, 2000 in Temple. He spent his entire life in Gatesville, graduating from Gatesville High School in 2019 and was attending Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

During his all too short life, he had many accomplishments. He participated in sports all his life, including Jujitsu, basketball, track, power lifting and football. His favorite sport was football. He started playing in the first grade, played on the offensive line for the Hornets and was playing at Hardin-Simmons. He represented Gatesville High School in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Victory Bowl in 2019, offensive lineman of the year for the Hornets in 2019 and was a member of the State-Champion GHS Lineman's Challenge team in 2018. He was a member of the National Honor Society in high school, received academic all-state honors in football

and track in both his junior and senior years and made the Dean's List at Hardin-Simmons University.

Wyatt accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and led by example. He loved his family and was always a role model for his cousins. He enjoyed spending time with family, pulling pranks and was a "Man-Child at heart". His favorite pastime was eating Studebakers Chicken Bacon Ranch Pizza and Chicken Alfredo.

He was preceded in death by his "Papa", Johnnie Earl Tackett; uncle, John Tackett; aunt, Pamela Bryant; cousins, Justin Tackett, Rebecca Gomez and Michelle White.

Wyatt is survived by his parents, Kenneth and Sandy Tackett; grandparents, Helen Tackett, Ervin and Alejandrina (Nina) Adams; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the Heart of Texas Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at <https://my.fca.org/donation?id=549df83d-e030-4ae4-8231-9b37957fc127&title=TX,%20Coryell%20Country%20FCA>

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The GATESVILLE ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:30 PM 08/30/2021 in GISD Boardroom 311 S. Lovers Ln., Gatesville TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

<b>Maintenance Tax</b>	\$0.862000 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
<b>School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters</b>	\$0.205000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0.499966% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Debt service	2.345648% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	0.619573% (increase) or	% (decrease)

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$1,183,246,627	\$1,314,243,283
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$21,505,500	\$23,984,245
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$939,372,608	\$1,054,160,276
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$19,945,715	\$22,058,017

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness:	\$22,185,000
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\* Outstanding principal

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.937500	\$0.227000*	\$1.164500	\$3,960	\$6,060
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.972630	\$0.228380*	\$1.201010	\$4,008	\$5,983
Proposed Rate	\$0.862000	\$0.205000*	\$1.067000	\$4,183	\$6,173

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$145,686	\$162,005
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$118,088	\$131,520
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.164500	\$1.067000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$1,375.13	\$1,403.31
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$28.18

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.067000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 1.067000.

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$9,100,540
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$785,132

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GATESVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

# 'Attendance is very important,' Pollard tells board

From Staff Reports

The GISD School Board held a special meeting on Monday, Aug. 9. Several topics were discussed during the meeting which include:

**HANDBOOKS**

Executive Director of Testing and Federal Programs, Yancey Sanderson, addressed the board about the 2021-2022 school year additions and updates to the campus student and DAEP handbooks. Sanderson asked the board to review the handbooks for what was described as "subtle changes." The handbook was described by Sanderson as being a "good guiding document for our campuses and adminis-

trators to use."

**STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

Gatesville ISD superintendent, Dr. Barrett Pollard, spoke to the board concerning daily attendance snapshot times. Pollard said that each school day the GISD teachers take student attendance at the designated campus snapshot times. He explained that the snapshot time does not have to be the same time across campuses. "Taking daily attendance is a

very important task because it relates directly to funding," said Pollard. Each campus principal has been asked to work with their attendance secretaries to determine the ideal time to take attendance and capture the most students present. The campus snapshot times are as follows:

Primary 9:30 a.m., Elementary 9:00 a.m., Intermediate 9:30 a.m., Junior High and High School 9:40 a.m.

Dr. Pollard asked the board to approve the daily campus attendance snapshot times as presented. A motion was made and the motion was carried.

**ELEMENTARY MOLD ABATEMENT**

Dr. Pollard informed the

board about the recent mold abatement at the Gatesville Elementary campus. After the completion of summer school, the elementary campus had a period of two to three weeks with little or no activity. During that particularly rainy time, the air conditioning system failed to remove enough humidity and moisture from many of the classrooms. GISD hired a professional mold abatement company to develop a protocol to give the school direction on what areas to clean. Fortunately, the front office, cafeteria library and some of the other classrooms were not impacted by the mold. The classrooms that were impacted by the mold were depressurized, hepa vac the vents and ducts

and then deep cleaned the entire area. After the cleaning, each room was tested to ensure it met the air quality standards. Following the testing, it was found that five rooms did not pass the air quality test and they were going to be cleaned again prior to the beginning of school.

The estimated cost to abate the elementary of all mold was in excess of \$75,000. Pollard said that "damages are still being tallied." He recommended that the board allow the district to spend over \$50,000 to pay for the abatement of the Elementary school in order to make the building safe for students to return. A motion was made and the motion was carried.

**2021-2022 OPERATING BUDGET**

GISD Chief Financial Officer, Darrell Frazier, reported to the board about the preliminary 2021-2022 operating budget. Frazier presented to the board the District's first draft of the preliminary operating budget. Appropriations are estimated at \$30,351,355 which is a 4% increase from the previous year. Frazier reported that the revenue estimates are still a work in progress. He recommended that the board consent to the overall framework of the preliminary budget, reminding the board that an updated proposed budget would be presented to the board later in the month for adoption.

CORYELL MUSEUM

## A letter about 'the cow hunters' in the house

BY: JANN DWORSKY

This is an article about a letter sent to Miss Zelma Scott who wrote A History of Coryell County. This letter is found in our collections, on very brown paper, unlined and written in pencil by Dave Grubb, son of Wiley P. Grubb and Georgia Hester in 1945.

The letter is as follows:

Dear Miss Zelma, The cow hunters all got together at our house, they would have pack horses or mules, the provisions and bedding were tied on them hard and fast with ropes, then each cow hunter would take along two extra horses to ride. Then they would have fresh horses to ride the ranges after the cattle. They would leave our house with all these horses, driving them and as they gathered cattle these horses went along with the cattle. The cattle that had drifted away from the cold northers (winter) were brought back. Father would put his cattle as he gathered them in a herd and they were penned at night. Jim Taylor, C.T. Boling and Henry Lee were hired by the month and in this way lots of the cattle were located.

The long horned beef steers on the range were large and fat and were from four to eight years old. We

had buyers to come from the north, such as Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Iowa. I remember they had wallets or saddle riders (money bags). They carried their money in to buy these cattle and stay with us in our home. The saddle riders would be thrown (thrown) over the joist (in the ceiling). No one paid any attention to it, just knew the money was in them. Each man received the money for his cattle from those saddle bags. Then when they finished buying the herd of long horned steers would start overland across the country and hear the cowboys popping their whips and singing as they left, probably a thousand or more in the herd. It was a pretty sight, those large, aged steers and they sold for \$14 or \$15 each now and worth over \$100 (at the end of the trail).

Coryell Museum is open to visitors 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday thru Saturday. Come and see dozens of exhibits including 1,000 feet of the Madge and Lloyd Mitchell Spur Collection, as well as 23,400 square feet of genuine Coryell County relics. We have the doctor's exhibit, Old Log Jail exhibit, the school room exhibit, military exhibit and the blacksmith shop and Buckhorn exhibit.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured left to right: Chamber member, Kaira Perez, Johnny Zimmerman, Tina Zimmerman, Sara Petroni, Paul Petroni and Chamber member Glenda Brown.

## Sporting Adventures now open

The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony for Gatesville Sporting Adventures located at 2514 State Hwy. 36. The business has a great variety of sporting good supplies, equip-

ment and clothing. It is owned by Johnny and Tina Zimmerman and Paul and Sara Petroni. The store has been open since April of this year. The business can be reached by calling 254-865-7009.

## Coryell County blood drive set for today

Only four percent of individuals who could donate blood in Texas are actually doing it.

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Summer is a traditionally slow season for blood donations and 2021 is compounded by the already severe blood supply shortage.

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TNT-280 08-19/5

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The OGLESBY ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM 08/30/2021 in Oglesby ISD Board Room, 125 College Ave. Oglesby, TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

<b>Maintenance Tax</b>	\$0.960300 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
<b>School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters</b>	\$0.000000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

**Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget**

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	10.071200% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Debt service	0.000000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	10.071200% (increase) or	% (decrease)

**Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)**

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$114,090,488	\$145,778,237
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$1,655,730	\$2,033,440
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$91,515,023	\$120,307,206
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$1,647,150	\$1,924,590

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
 \*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
 \*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

**Bonded Indebtedness**

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$0

\* Outstanding principal

**Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates**

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.971000	\$0.000000*	\$0.971000	\$4,994	\$8,634
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.926270	\$0.000000*	\$0.926270	\$6,231	\$7,396
Proposed Rate	\$0.960300	\$0.000000*	\$0.960300	\$6,505	\$7,806

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

**Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence**

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$128,689	\$146,262
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$84,822	\$96,478
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.971000	\$0.960300
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$823.62	\$926.47
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$102.85

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 0.960300. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 0.960300.

**Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$1,074,571
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$2,547

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Judith Dawn Knapp  
Estate of John Pershing Knapp  
103 Elderberry Street  
Georgetown, Texas 78633

DATED the 9th day of August, 2021.  
Dori Ray Mistic  
Attorney for Judith Dawn Knapp

State Bar No.: 04091800  
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Copperas Cove, Texas 76522  
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TO: DECEDENT'S UNKNOWN HEIRS  
UNKNOWN ADDRESS  
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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CORYELL

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF LEONARD CARROLL BARNES, DECEASED. CAUSE NO 20-10397, COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS. DESTINY TRENARY FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS ON THE 10TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021, MOTION TO MAKE A TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATION PERMANENT AND APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP SAIDLEONARDCARROLL BARNES, DECEASED.

SAID APPLICATION SHALL BE HEARD AND ACTED ON BY SAID COURT ON OR AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY NEXT AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF TEN DAYS FROM DATE OF POSTING THIS CITATION, THE SAME BEING THE 23RD DAY OF AUGUST, 2021, AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS.

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE ARE HEREBY CITED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY AT THE SAME ABOVE MENTIONED TIME AND PLACE BY FILING A WRITTEN ANSWER CONTESTING SUCH APPLICATION SHOULD THEY DESIRE TO DO SO.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS THE 11TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.

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TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF NOBU HOEFLING, DECEASED. CAUSE NO 21-10493, COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS. LEAH RENAY WESTCOTT FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS ON THE 29TH DAY OF JUNE, 2021, AN APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 401.003 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE AND APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP SAID NOBU HOEFLING, DECEASED.

SAID APPLICATION SHALL BE HEARD AND ACTED ON BY SAID COURT ON OR AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY NEXT AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF TEN DAYS FROM DATE OF POSTING THIS CITATION, THE SAME BEING THE 16TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021, AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS.

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GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS THE 4TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.

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TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF SCOTT ANDREW LEMON, DECEASED. CAUSE NO 21-10505, COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS. PATRICK LEMON FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS ON THE 27TH DAY OF JULY, 2021, AN APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 401.003 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE AND APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP SAID ANN MARIE LAMBERT, DECEASED.

SAID APPLICATION SHALL BE HEARD AND ACTED ON BY SAID COURT ON OR AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY NEXT AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF TEN DAYS FROM DATE OF POSTING THIS CITATION, THE SAME BEING THE 16TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021, AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS.

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GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS THE 5TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.

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TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ANN MARIE LAMBERT, DECEASED. CAUSE NO 21-10498, COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS. MAURICE HAROLD LAMBERT FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS ON THE 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2021, APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 401.003 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE AND APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP SAID ANN MARIE LAMBERT, DECEASED.

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JENNIFER NEWTON  
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# TENNIS

FROM PAGE 12

Alex Scott beat Keegan Dutton, 9-8 (4).

Other wins were posted by Ty Warren over Hayden Phillips, 8-5; Carlo Martinez over Noah Livesoy, 8-0; Jesse Strange over Tyrell Williams, 8-3; Tyler Hutts over Fran Trios, 8-3; Dayne Zacha over Julin Martinez, 8-1 and Milton Waters over Francis Valentine, 8-0.

In girls singles, Anna Mitchell, Julee Sun, Bri Alexander, Preslea Edmond and Kasey Fitzner all picked up wins.

Gatesville ace Stormy Tatum teamed with Julee Sun for a 6-0, 6-0 win over Brode Peters-Ortiz in doubles.

Mitchell/Alexander and Edmond/Walker also picked up wins.

In boys doubles, Early-Warren, Scott Martinez and Strange/Hutts also won.

Dayne Zacha/Fitzner won in mixed doubles.



MARK GOODSON | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**ALL ACES:** The Gatesville High School varsity tennis team is off to a hot start this season.

# SUDOKU

Solution for the puzzle that ran August 14.

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Puzzle by websudoku.com

# SENIOR LINEUP



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Jonesboro has seven seniors entering the 2021 season. Pictured from left are Ian Shoaf, Manuel Torres, Zach Chapman, Dakota Riley, Nat Hilliker and Jimmy Whatley. Not pictured is Layton Blanchard.

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## Gatesville varsity tennis starting season all aces

BY MARK GOODSON  
Staff writer

The Gatesville High School varsity tennis team is clicking into high gear. The Hornets (3-1 on the season) hosted a dual match with Little River Academy and Copperas Cove Saturday.

The team split recent matches with Liberty Hill and Temple. Against Liberty Hill on Aug. 10, the Hornets won six of 19 matches with the Panthers. "It was a tough day, the wind was not our friend at critical times," said assistant coach Tammy McCulloch. Stormy Tatum, the ace of the

girls squad, picked up the lone win in girls singles with an 8-5 win over Ellis Young. In boys singles, Ty Warren beat Ethan Wukasch, 9-7; and Dayne Zacha beat Gray Jankin, 8-6. The Hornets picked up two wins each in doubles. Tatum and Julee Sun won, 8-4, over Young/Merrill and Anna

Mitchell and Bri Alexander posted an 8-2 win over Ortega/Bodder. In boys' doubles, the Slone Early and Ty Warren duo won 8-1 over Fay/Wukasch. The Hornets' Alex Scott and Carlo Martinez posted an 8-4 win over Lou Gray/Holt Avery. The Hornets won their third match in convincing style Aug. 5

over the Temple Wildcats. The Hornets won, 19-0. Slone Early, the No. 1 boys' singles player for Gatesville led the way with an 8-1 win over Stephen Powell. The Hornets won all eight boys singles matches.

PLEASE SEE **TENNIS** | 11

## YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ... Goat photobombs Jonesboro football team's picture day



MARK GOODSON | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**KIDDING AROUND:** A goat came running onto the field just as Jonesboro football players were lining up for a team picture. Branton Herring pets the intruder, who the team is considering making their unofficial mascot. They might name him Tom Brady, as in the Greatest Of All Time (the GOAT).

BY MARK GOODSON  
Staff writer

Just when Jonesboro's football players were lining up for a team picture Tuesday morning on photo day, a goat came sprinting out onto the field. It brought smiles to the players and accentuated Jonesboro's rural flavor.

"We've had dogs before, but never a goat," Jonesboro coach Eddie Gallegos said of the unexpected visitor. "It tells me that our fence is not very good. What's crazy, is he was back today." The goat got some encouragement and a petting from sophomore Branton Herring. The goat brought some levity to practices this week for the Eagles.

Jonesboro, a mainstay in the six-man football ranks, has two scrimmages coming up with top notch teams from Saint Jo and May. Now they have an unofficial mascot in the goat. They might call him "Tom Brady" since the Tampa Bay quarterback is known as the (GOAT) greatest of all time for all his Super Bowl rings.

*"We've had dogs before, but never a goat. It tells me that our fence is not very good."*

**EDDIE GALLEGOS**  
Jonesboro Head Football Coach

## Hall of Fame Banquet tickets available

From Staff Reports

The Gatesville High School Athletics 2021 Hall of Fame Banquet will be Saturday, Aug. 28. The annual banquet, which recognizes GHS former athletes, teams and coaches, begins at 6 p.m. at the Gatesville Civic Center. Tickets are \$10 apiece and include light snacks. Children age 5 and under will be admitted free. Tickets can be purchased from Velvet Jaynes at the GHS Henry Marris Field House, and will also be available online at [www.gatesvilleisd.org](http://www.gatesvilleisd.org). The Class of 2021 inductees will include athletes Bobby Jones and Kenny Moore, coaches Mary Bishop and Jack Maxwell, the 1960 regional quarterfinalist football team and 2009 state champion boys golf team. The inductees will also be recognized on Friday, Aug. 27, during halftime of the GHS-Llano varsity football game. For more information, contact Velvet Jaynes at 254-865-8281, ext. 251.



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**FOLLOW THROUGH:** The Chris Franks team shot 13-under par to win the tournament.

## Franks team wins Gatesville Chamber golf scramble

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The Chris Franks team shot 13-under par 57 to win the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament Saturday, Aug. 7 at the Gatesville Country Club. Franks teamed with Ken Black, Bruce Popp and Dayle Haigood to win the scramble event. Ten teams competed. Taking second was the Mike Kaibas team with a score of 60. James Morse, Billy Bob Williams and Jeff Graham completed the Kaibas team.