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## Woman with Gatesville ties reported missing

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

A Bonham woman with ties to Gatesville was reported missing on Saturday.

Geneva Ford, 27, was supposed to be on her way to Gatesville on Friday to pick up her son, according to a report filed with the Bonham Police Department. She never



Geneva Ford

Police that she had texted him on Friday at 1:40 p.m. saying that someone was outside their resi-

arrived and no one has seen or heard from her since Friday.

Ford's boyfriend, Kenny Henderson, told Bonham

dence in Bonham beating on the doors and windows, according to the police report.

A neighbor confirmed the account according to the police report, but the neighbor said they witnessed Ford getting into her car after the disturbance.

The police report notes that Henderson drove to Gatesville on Friday but was unable to locate

Ford.

The police report noted that on Friday a Ravenna man named Michael Kizer called Bonham Police and reported a welfare concern for Ford. According to the police report, Kizer stated he believed someone was "hurting Ford." Police noted Kizer was "evasive when being asked questions about Ford."

"While it is believed she may be with Kizer, it has not been confirmed," the police report stated.

Due to the circumstances surrounding the disappearance Ford has been entered into the Texas Crime Information Center. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Bonham Police Department at 903-583-2141 or the Gatesville Police at 254-865-2226.

## A TRIBUTE TO HEROES



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Area first responders, including this canine officer, attended the early morning 9/11 remembrance service held on the courthouse lawn. Twenty flags were placed on the lawn to mark the twentieth-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks. The flags were placed in a row of nine and a row of eleven to signify the date of the event, 9/11.

## Statewide campaign promotes safer roads

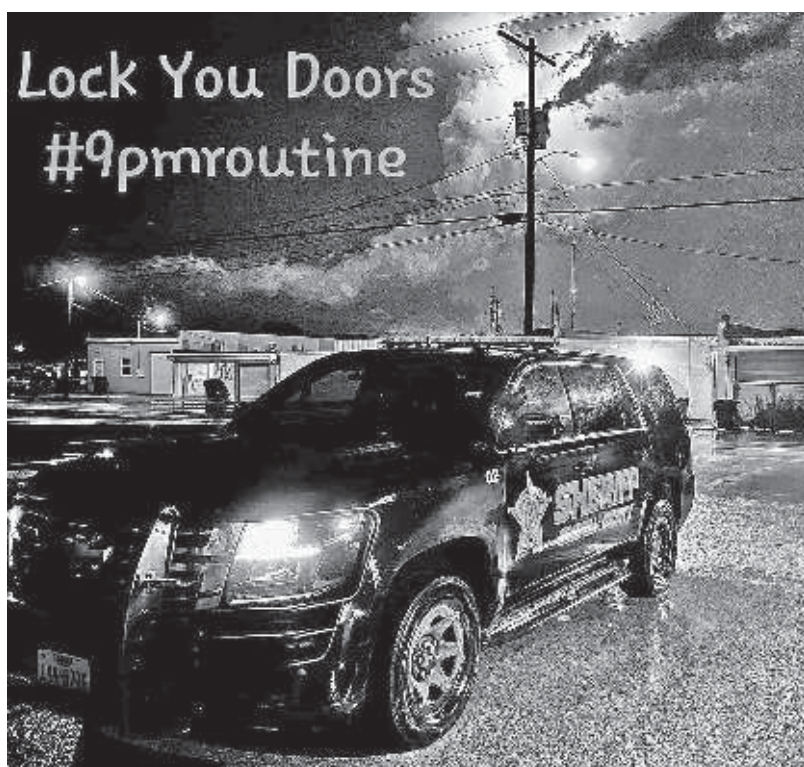
BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
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In 2020 there were 23,166 DUI-related traffic crashes in Texas, resulting in 963 fatalities and 2,102 serious injuries. Alcohol-related traffic fatalities made up 25% of all traffic crashes.

Coryell County had 38 of those crashes, with two fatalities, according to data provided by the Texas Department of Transportation.

In an effort to put real faces behind the statistics, TxDOT re-

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SOCIAL MEDIA MESSAGE: The first Facebook post by the Coryell County Sheriff's Office during its #9PMRoutine campaign.

## Sheriff's Office launches #9PMRoutine online

BY KRISTEN MERIWETHER  
Staff Writer

On Sept. 7, the Coryell County Sheriff's Office began a #9PMRoutine campaign on Facebook to share daily reminders and best safety practices with residents.

"The #9PM routine is a nightly reminder to residents to remove valuables from their vehicles, lock their vehicle doors, lock the doors to their residences, turn on exterior lights and activate all alarms and security systems," the Facebook post said.

The first post said the Sheriff's Office will send out a nightly reminder at 9 p.m. to lock up and asked residents to set a reminder on their smart phone to do the same.

"Criminals look for easy targets.

"Criminals look for easy targets ... Many vehicle burglaries, and to a lesser degree, stolen vehicles, occur as a result of vehicles being left unlocked."

### FACEBOOK POST

You can make it more difficult for them by following the #9PMRoutine! Many vehicle burglaries, and to a lesser degree, stolen vehicles, oc-

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## QUESTION & ANSWER CORNER

Q: When did train service end in Gatesville?

A: The last train ran to Gatesville on November 14, 1972. Two days later, the Cotton Belt Railroad company abandoned the line they had between Lime City and Gatesville.

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# COUNTY WIDE

## Old Time Fiddlers Contest Saturday

The Gatesville Old Time Fiddlers Contest is making a return appearance Saturday at Gatesville's City Auditorium.

This Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association-sanctioned contest will kick off at noon, drawing top fiddlers from across the state to compete for cash prizes.

Contestants will compete by age in categories ranging from under 10 years to 60-plus. There will also be competitions for twin fiddles and accompanists, with the day culminating in the championship round, featuring the top fiddlers from the day.

The ending time is expected to be around 6 p.m., but is dependent on the number of overall entries.

Admission is free and spectators are welcome to come and go throughout the day.

The event is presented by the City of Gatesville with funding for fiddler prizes provided by community supporters. If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities or would like to be a supporter with a donation, please call Sherry Hopson at 254-223-3939 or Cheri Shepherd at 254-499-0102. You

## 20th Spurifest to be held Saturday

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

Activities will include "Old Time Demonstrations," the "Shriner's 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.

Fort Gates Road. Catering will be by Bare Bones BBQ. The keynote speaker for the event will be Congressman Roger Williams.

Tickets will be \$35 per person or \$50 per couple. Sponsorships will be available with speaking opportunities included with the sponsorships.

For more information, contact the Coryell County Republican Party at 254-216-9017. The address is P.O. Box 12, Gatesville, Texas, 76528.

can also call them for details about entering the contest.

The Old Time Fiddlers Contest is one of three free events in downtown Gatesville on September 18.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to view the custom and classic cars that will line the courthouse square during the Cruzin' Cruzer's Car Show, visit the Coryell Museum for Spurifest activities, and drop in to hear some good old time fiddle music at the auditorium. There will also be vendors selling a variety of goods at the car show and the museum.

## Beautiful quilt donated for Spurifest raffle

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

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 Spurifest Sept. 18.

## Republican Party fish fry set for Saturday

The Republican Party of Coryell County has scheduled its 2021 annual fish fry, which will be sponsored and co-hosted by Gary and Diane Heavin. The fish fry will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at The Texas Station Event Center located at 305 Old

## 'Trunk or Treat' set for Oct. 28

Stanley GM and Stanley CDJ of Gatesville will host "Trunk or Treat" on Thursday, Oct. 28 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Stanley Chevrolet and Stanley Dodge parking lot at 210 Hwy. 36 Bypass in Gatesville.

Local and area businesses can join in decorating a vehicle, passing out candy and giving the community a safe trick-or-treating event.

The auto dealerships will provide the vehicles and trick or treat bags for the participants.

For more information, call Kia Huggins or Kandi Mills by Oct. 1, at 254-865-8941.

## ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

### A day to remember, learn

World Alzheimer's Day is Sept. 21 — a day to listen, learn and educate others about this devastating disease and how it impacts those battling it, loved ones or caretakers, and those to be diagnosed in the future.

According to the Alzheimer's Association, it's estimated that nearly 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's in 2021. The number of people living with the disease doubles every 5 years beyond the age of 65. That means by 2060, that number is expected to nearly triple to approximately 14 million people.

Even though this disease continues to increase in prevalence and severity in our society, it is still quite a misunderstood disease. No one patient is the same as the others... making it difficult for caretakers and loved ones to find beneficial solutions tailored specifically to the individual fighting the disease.

Observe the day by:

#### TAKING A MEMORY WALK

The Alzheimer's Association is sponsoring memory walks all over the country. Thousands of people come together to raise funds to support both the care of patients and research for a cure. Wear blue if you have dementia, or purple if you've lost a loved one to the disease.

#### GET SCREENED

The National Memory Screening Program allows you to answer a list of questions to see if you or someone you know may potentially have Alzheimer's Disease. The test is a series of questions to measure your language skills, thinking ability, and intellectual functions. Taking the test is free. But it will not definitely tell you whether or not you have the disease. Check with your doctor to get a thorough evaluation.

#### DONATE

Your money is critical in the search for a cure. Funding also helps develop new medications to slow the effects of the disease.

To get help, call 1-800-272-

## Gatesville's the place to be this Saturday

BY CHERI SHEPARD  
*Gatesville Convention and Visitors Bureau*

Saturday is a big day in downtown Gatesville!

You'll find three free family-friendly events all within walking distance of each other. The Cruzin' Cruzers are expecting over 200 classic and custom cars at the 34th annual Leon River Car Show around the courthouse square. The cars will be on display from 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. The car club be serving some of their famous barbeque to benefit local scholarships and there will also be a vendor market.

Just down the street, at the Coryell Museum, Spurifest kicks off at 9 a.m. and runs until 4 p.m. There will be entertainment and activities for the whole family, including butter churning, biscuits and gravy from a chuck wagon, the Karem Cowboys, live music and vendors. Visitors can see the many museum exhibits, including the old-time

soda fountain, log jail, antique cars and a collection of over 10,000 spurs.

One block north of the museum, in Gatesville's historic City Auditorium, stop in to hear top fiddlers from across the state as they compete for cash prizes at the Gatesville Old Time Fiddle Contest, which is an official Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association event. The contest begins at noon with the 18-and-under division and will progress through the age divisions,

ending with the Accompanist, twin fiddles, and grand championship rounds. Competition will run into the late afternoon, with the ending time depending on the total number of contestants. Spectators are welcome to come and go throughout the event.

There will be something for everyone in the family to enjoy and admission to all three events is free.

## YARD OF THE MONTH IS A DELIGHT TO SEE



COURTESY PHOTO FROM CHERI SHEPHERD

Keep Gatesville Beautiful chose the home of Karen White at 3608 Churchill Dr. for its September "Yard of the Month." This beautiful home and yard stood out to the Yard of the Month committee. Karen tends to her own flower beds and landscape. Her landscape includes crepe myrtles, boxwood bushes and red yuccas. In the flower beds she planted knockout roses, Texas sage, and lantana. The porch has potted geraniums, portulaca, rose moss and a jade plant. She said the cooler summer temps have helped them blossom. The lawn is zysiagrass.

## SHERIFF

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cur as a result of vehicles being left unlocked," the Facebook post said. "Criminals walk through neighborhoods, trying vehicle door handles, hoping to find an unlocked vehicle. The best way to prevent vehicle burglaries is to remove all of your valuables, lock your vehicle's doors upon exiting and take the keys to

the vehicle inside your residence."

The 9 p.m. routine began in August of 2016 in the Pasco County Sheriff's Office in Florida, according to the "Tampa Bay Times". They began posting nightly reminders on Facebook and Twitter with the goal of cutting down easily preventable burglaries.

The first posts in Pasco started with only 5,000 to 10,000 impressions, but grew to 90,000 in the first year, according to the "Tampa

Bay Times".

The effort not only got more people to lock their doors, but also brought more people to the Sheriff's Office social media accounts. This is helpful when the Sheriff's Office needs to get information to the community about anything from a dangerous criminal to a natural disaster.

What started out as a local effort to reach residents became a hit nationwide. As the hashtag began to

trend, more Sheriff's Offices and local law enforcement followed along.

Law enforcement offices across the country have gotten creative with how they present the public service announcement. Some have created videos showing what the 9 p.m. routine looks like. Others include photos or videos of their officers or service animals. Memes, GIFs and jokes have also accompanied the posts.



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CORYELL MUSEUM

# Long before Spurfest, there were knights and queens

BY JAN DWORKSY

Spurfest is coming on Sept. 18 and we hope everyone will come to Coryell Museum Spurfest, Cruzin' Cruzers car show and the Old Timer's Fiddle Contest.

Below are several stories from other wonderful Coryell County events from the 1890s. Mildred Watkins Mears wrote "Coryell County Scrapbook", published in 1963. She tells of other wonderful county events that occurred here. Her book is for sale in our museum Gift Shop.

"The county records show that an organization with the dignified title of 'Cory-

ell County Agricultural and Mechanical Fair' was organized in March, 1889 and

disbanded in 1903. It was a large wooden structure, and curved with the race track.

Prior to the opening day, a certain number of knights were chosen and then each knight chose a princess and wore her colors. The first event of the fair was a tournament where the knights competed for first place. The one that won was proclaimed King and he crowned the princess who was then the Queen of the Fair. At the beginning of each succeeding performance the grand entry was led by a float carrying the queen and her princesses. It was drawn by four beauti-

ful horses, in front of it rode the king, and on each side the knights. The float was followed by race horses and other performers in the same manner as the rodeo of today (1963)."

"Different people remember different things about the fair. J. O. Brown remembers the little things that a boy would have enjoyed, the concessions and the rides. The men remember the horse races. When Dr. Brown and his associates organized the fair, they set up a clean race program and along with the races, all kinds of competition in horsemanship, and the people loved it. Horse racing and betting have always gone hand in hand and, in spite of efforts to keep it clean, corruption crept in, the churches began to complain and the race track was shut down."

"Women remember other things—the fine quilts, crochet, the tating and embroidery, as well as the pickles, preserves, etc. Mrs. Kendrick especially remembers a certain contest in horsemanship by women that had much partisan a feeling in it. It was called a five gaited horse contest and each rider had to make her horse change his gait at certain places on the track. The judges quickly decided the third and fourth place winners but they could not decide whether Mrs. Mollie Martin or Mrs. Rosa Watkins had won first place, so they asked them to ride

again. They then pronounced Mrs. Watkins the winner and asked her to ride the length of the grandstand and back. Mrs. Kendrick added, "Her horse was black and she wore a black velvet riding habit, made with a basque (closely fitting jacket) and buttoned up at the front to a high collar with a small ruff of lace at her neck. Her skirt hung almost to the ground and she wore a black derby hat with an enormous red plume on it. When galloping in the wind, a red silk petticoat could be occasionally seen. Mrs. Martin wore a similar costume, all red, and rode a beautiful white horse. There was a lot of contention over the decision. The judges said that Mrs. Martin never got her horse into the fifth gait, but Mrs. Martin's friends declared that the men were charmed with Rosa Watkins brunette beauty. (Rosa Watkins is the mother of our author.) The horse that she rode belonged to Jim Lanham and he declared that the women had nothing to do with it; that some of the gamblers were just bad losers. Anyway, it ended up in several fist fights."

"Some remember the wonder of the first balloon ascension that they ever saw and George Williams remembers the gander pullings. They were very funny affairs. A dead gander was hung by his feet on one of the tournament posts, and with his horse in a run, the rider at-

tempted to pull off his head, but this was no easy matter because it had been dipped in grease. The winner was the one who succeeded.

But by far the most interesting of all were the horse races and there was much argument and some hard feelings when the fair was closed because of it."

Coryell Museum has searched through its collection of stored documents. In this collection we have found several boxes labeled Minnie Watkins Mears and they were donated to the museum long ago. We have found many of her personal letters and research from her book Coryell County Scrapbook.

About two years ago the American Legion generously donated a computer and scanner to the museum, so we have been able to preserve Minnie Mears private letters, history of her family, and research for her book in our computer system. We have also preserved thousands of delicate newspapers and journals so they will be archived for future generations.

Coryell Museum is open Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and we certainly enjoy our visitors. We have 24,400 square feet of exhibit space that will let you step back in time.

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## DUI

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cently rolled out the "Faces of Drunk Driving" campaign. The stories come from people who have survived a drunk driving accident, family members of those who died in a drunk driving crash and those who had to pay the consequences of getting a DUI. Their stories can be seen online at facesofdrunk-driving.com.

There are no stories listed of people from Coryell County, but there have been 268 alcohol-related crashes statewide since 2016 and 14 fatalities, according to data provided by TxDOT.

So far this year the county has not had an alcohol-related fatality, but has seen 31 crashes, including two with serious injuries.

"Drinking and driving can lead to tragic consequences that are 100% preventable," TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams said in a press release. "These consequences involve individuals who made the unfortunate decision to drink and drive along with many innocent victims of those decisions. This is why it is critical to always plan ahead for a sober

## COST OF DUI

The cost of a DUI ranges from place to place but can be up to \$17,000 in fines and fees. Here's how that breaks down:

- 1ST DWI OFFENSE FINE:** \$250 TO \$2,000
- BAIL:** UP TO \$1,000
- COURT COSTS:** UP TO \$500
- ATTORNEY FEES:** VARIES, BUT AVERAGE IS UP TO \$9,400
- PROBATION FEES (12 MONTHS):** UP TO \$1,200
- ALCOHOL EDUCATION COURSE:** \$70 TO \$200
- INCREASED CAR INSURANCE:** ABOUT \$1,000
- CAR IMPOUND AND TOWING FEE:** ABOUT \$200
- CAR STORAGE FEES (UP TO 5 DAYS):** \$100
- IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE (12 MONTHS):** \$1,400
- RESTITUTION AMOUNTS:** NOT INCLUDED

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**Marc Williams**  
TxDOT executive director

ride through a designated driver, taxi, ride-share app or simply by staying where you are. Drinking and driving do not mix."

# Downtown Gatesville, TX

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## CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

# Abbott calls third special session, for Sept. 20

BY GARY BORDERS

Gov. Greg Abbott has called a third special legislative session to deal with redistricting, to decide how to spend billions of dollars in pandemic funding from the federal government and to determine to whether state or local governments can mandate COVID-19 vaccines, as well as some pet issues of the governor that failed to pass recent sessions.

The third session begins Sept. 20 and by law can last no longer than 30 days. The second special session resulted in passage of hotly contested voting restrictions and what are considered the most restrictive abortion laws in the country, both of which are under legal attack. In the case of the latter, the U.S. Justice Department is suing the state, saying the abortion law banning the procedure at roughly six weeks of pregnancy is unconstitutional.

"The (Texas) act is clearly unconstitutional under long-standing Supreme Court precedent," Attorney General Merrick Garland said Thursday, as reported widely by media outlets.

Several groups have filed suit against the elections bill signed by Abbott last week, including Voto Latino, LULAC Texas, the Texas Alliance for Retired Americans, and the Texas American Federation of Teachers.

The law limits early voting hours, ends drive-in voting, and restricts mail-in voting. GOP leaders maintain that other provisions in the measure make it easier to cast a vote than before.

**AUGUST COOLER, WETTER THAN NORMAL FOR MOST OF TEXAS**

August is in the books and the first day of autumn beckons. Dr. Mark Wentzel, a hydrologist with the Texas Water Development Board, reports the month was cooler than normal for most of the state, and wetter than normal for about half of Texas. The U.S. Drought Monitor map for Texas shows just 1% of the state in drought.

"Over the last 22 years, we've averaged about 40% of the state in drought by the end of August, Wentzel wrote in his monthly report. "Since 2000, we've only had two other Augusts that ended with less drought area: 2004 and 2007."

**EMERGENCY SNAP BENEFITS EXTENDED AGAIN**

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is extending emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program food benefits once more in September, meaning SNAP recipients will again get an additional \$95 in emergency allotments. The funding comes from the United States Department of Agriculture.

"As we continue to navigate through the pandemic,



we are pleased to provide this additional support to ensure Texans will be able to keep food on their table for themselves and their families," said Wayne Salter of the HHSC.

**DUCK HUNTERS CAN EXPECT ANOTHER GOOD SEASON**

The early teal hunting season began Saturday, and officials with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department say habitat conditions point to another productive season for hunters.

"Teal numbers are already impressive in many areas of Texas, especially the rice prairies of the Texas Gulf Coast and the playa wetlands of the Panhandle," Kevin Kraai of TPWD said.

The 16-day statewide early teal season runs through

Sept. 26, with a daily bag limit of six. Blue-winged teal are by far the most prevalent duck found in Texas this time of year, according to TPWD.

**TUITION PROGRAM OPEN ENROLLMENT UNDERWAY**

Open enrollment in the state's Texas Tuition Promise Fund began Sept. 1 and runs through the end of February. The plan allows parents and others to lock in today's tuition and fees at state public colleges and universities. The accumulated funds can also be transferred to private colleges and other institutions such as vocational schools, though the tuition is not locked in.

The TTPF program offers webinars throughout the enrollment period. More information can be found at TuitionPromise.org or by

calling Monday through Friday at 800-445-GRAD (4723). Press Option 5.

**COVID-19 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS DROP SLIGHTLY**

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas decreased slightly in the past week, with the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University reporting 120,494 new cases, down 4.6% from the previous week. Total deaths statewide increased slightly to 1,789.

The number of lab-confirmed COVID-10 hospitalizations dropped slightly, with 13,285 reported in Texas, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. Available intensive-care unit beds remain scarce, with just 330 open in the entire state, the least since the pandemic began early

last year. Even more concerning are the few pediatric ICU beds open, with just 80 available, according to DSHS.

At least 45 school districts across the state have shut down in-person classes because of COVID-19 outbreaks affecting more than 40,000 students, according to the "Texas Tribune".

The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated crossed the 14-million mark, which is 48.5% of the total population, DSHS reported.

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## BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

## Hinds Fine Jewelers named September Business of the Month



SEPTEMBER RECIPIENT: Chamber members present Hinds Fine Jewelers with certificate and trophy

COURTESY PHOTO

The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recently named Hinds Fine Jewelers as its September Business of the

Month.

Hinds Fine Jewelers opened in 2016 and has been a welcomed addition to the

courthouse square. The business is owned by Monica Hinds. The business is located at 119 S. 7th Street and

the phone number is 254-404-2269.

Business of the Month is sponsored by Extraco Banks

and "The Gatesville Messenger". The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recognizes an outstanding business each

month to spotlight. Nominees for Business of the Month must be a Chamber member.

## Miss Kat doesn't sew, but she fixes the machines

BY TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Miss Kat has an interesting business in Temple. "It's A-1 Sewing and Vac Center," she says. "I repair sewing machines, vacuum cleaners and some associated equipment. I actually do no sewing, no alterations. I just repair the machines."

She took care of her parents until they passed away and she was looking for a job when one opened up at this place in 2012. She was hired to do the inventory but eventually learned to repair machines and bought the business.

"We're near downtown in what used to be the old Temple post office. I have my sewing machine repair station up front and I fix vacuums in the back. It is a pretty

decent size building. The walls are covered in pegboard where I keep belts and parts. The whole back wall of the showroom is covered in vacuum cleaner bags because

they make so many different kinds. Years ago there were only half a dozen types. Now when you need a vacuum cleaner bag you need to know the manufacturer and the model. I have all kinds of books that list the different kinds."

She says today, people buy some appliance or piece of equipment, wear it out in a few years and throw it away. She repairs old machines, some dating back to 1918.

"Years ago an appliance was a lifetime investment," she said. "That thing better last 30 years. I remember our old vacuum cleaner and I remember my dad fixing it. He did something to the motor in the kitchen to test run it."

Kat works on all brands of ma-

chines and her customers are young and old. Many have a sentimental value attached to the things they bring in for repair

"I work on everything from things that are purely mechanical and don't have too many moving parts all the way to computerized embroidery machines. I don't get too many of those but I will work on them."

Kat grew up in Louisiana and runs the business by herself.

"If I charge for my time I probably would not be in business because I'd have to charge too much. It's the type of business that you have to be interested in and be willing to take the extra time, write things down and figure things out."

She is mechanically inclined, something she picked up from her dad.

"Because I've got little bitty girl hands, Daddy had to teach me how to use tools to make up for it," she said. "I get to use some of my daddy's tools every day."

Her mother didn't sew: "My mama was not that good with her hands. They thought something was wrong with you if you were left-handed. They forced her to use her right hand and that never worked very well."

People bring her all types of things to repair including toys, irons, embalming machines, key-making machines, and beekeeping equipment used to extract bees.

# The DISPATCH

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through law enforcement dispatchers during the period of September 3 - 7. 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

### September 8

1:30 a.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 400 block of N. Lutterloh Avenue.  
4:07 a.m., a noise disturbance was reported in the 2500 block of Powell Drive.  
8:15 a.m., an accident was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.  
1:29 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 200 block of Old Osage Road.  
1:33 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1500 block

of E. Leon Street.  
3:01 p.m., a threat was reported in the 2200 block of Bridge Street.  
3:14 p.m., a theft was reported in the 100 block of Robert Evetts.  
3:32 p.m., a hit and run was reported in the 200 block of S. Lovers Lane.  
7:20 p.m., an accident was reported in the 1900 block of E. Main Street.  
8:08 p.m. suspicious activity was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.

### September 9

1:17 a.m., harassment was reported in the 2200 block

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of E. Main Street.  
4:18 a.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 100 block of S. 6th Street.

11:12 a.m., a disturbance was reported in the 100 block of Sims Circle.  
11:35 a.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 100 block of N. 8th Street.  
2:56 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Memorial Drive.  
9:55 p.m., an intoxicated driver was reported in the 2700 block of Business Hwy. 36.

## CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

### September 8

9:32 a.m., a livestock com-

plaint was reported on Barton Lane and Geronimo Lane.  
10:42 a.m., a minor accident was reported on FM 116 near FM 1783.  
1:52 p.m., a theft was reported in the 100 block of CR 334.  
1:56 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 2800 block of N. FM 116.  
2:40 p.m., a hit and run was reported on FM 1783 and CR 141.  
8:51 p.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 100 block of Harrell Drive.

### September 9

3:52 a.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 3300 block of Hwy. 36.  
10:15 a.m., a minor accident was reported in the 800 block of FM 107.  
2:20 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on E. Hwy. 84 near Knowles Road.  
2:48 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 4800 block of W. FM 217.  
9:09 p.m., an animal complaint was reported on Julia Drive and Lutheran Church Road.  
9:42 p.m., shots fired was reported on Navajo Street.

## BOOK REVIEW

# A story children may not want under wraps

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

It's very dark underground. Without a flashlight, you can't see a thing - but that's okay; you might not really want to see what's there anyhow. The silence is loud; it's cold and probably wet there, too, so you'll want a jacket if you go subterranean. As in the new book "The Curse of the Mummy: Uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb" by Candace Fleming, bundle up tight.

Some thirty-three hundred years ago, in a quiet Egyptian desert valley, a king was sent off to a dazzling afterlife. Only a trusted few were supposed to know where Tutankhamun was buried, but history shows that someone spilled the secret: in years to come, thieves broke into the tomb and stole some of the riches that went underground with the Boy King.

Royal priests tried to keep looters away, with little success - until the year that "something unusual happened": heavy rains caused the valley to flood, and Tutankhamun's tomb seemingly "vanished."

But it wasn't forgotten entirely. Over centuries, as the tombs of other Egyptian royalty were looted by raiders and soldiers from other countries, Tutankhamun's name was mentioned but he was never found. He lay in peace until the early 1900s.

George Edward Stanhope Molyneux Herbert, Fifth Earl of Carnarvon had scads of money and a great interest

in Egyptian antiquities. He was happy to pay workmen to dig in Egypt's sand, but sadly, nothing more than trinkets were ever found. By 1908, Carnarvon knew that an expert was needed and Howard Carter came highly recommended.

And for good reason: Carter was a man obsessed. He was sure he knew where Tutankhamun and his riches were, and he and Carnarvon waited patiently to go there, to retrieve what would be an incredible trove.

And yet... There were rumors. Some said Tutankhamun's tomb was cursed. Psychics said that the dead had spoken and the treasure must remain undisturbed. Horrible things would happen to anyone who entered the tomb.

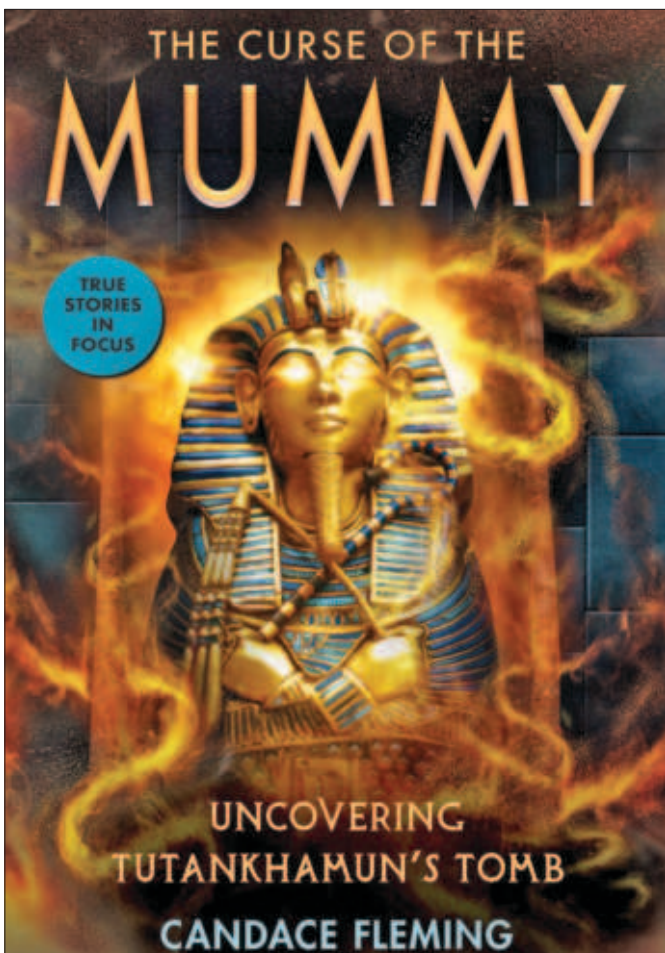
Did the curse begin with Carnarvon himself?

Many - including most scientists - say no, that people involved in the discovery and opening of Tutankhamun's tomb died of unrelat-



COURTEST PHOTO

Candace Fleming is a master at weaving stories and history together in facinating children's books like her latest, "The Curse of the Mummy - Uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb".



"The Curse of the Mummy: Uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb" by Candace Fleming

c.2021, Scholastic \$18.99 / \$25.99 Canada 287 pages

ed causes. Although, inside "The Curse of the Mummy," author Candace Fleming sure does raise the hairs on the back of a kid's neck.

It's an exciting tale for any age, really - and as if the story of the ancient burial of the king isn't mys-

terious enough, Fleming adds to the edginess with the thrilling (yet frustrating!) discovery of the tomb and all its chambers. Young archaeologists especially will be riveted by it, and by the scientifically-presented, kid-friendly follow-up

on what happened to Tutankhamun's body in the last century.

But the real appeal of this book? It's right there in the title and Fleming doesn't disappoint. Drop-in pages with whispers of curses will keep kids enthralled, and

they may send young readers ages 8-to-12 on the hunt for more. If your child has seen the exhibit, aims to be an archaeologist, or loves good scares, "The Curse of the Mummy" is a book they won't want to keep under wraps.



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# OBITUARIES

## ADDISON CROCKETT BRYANT

July 31, 1949 - September 7, 2021



Addison Crockett Bryant age 72, of Temple, passed away suddenly on September 7, 2021 in Temple.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Lighthouse Baptist Church in Meridian at 10 A.M.. Burial will be held at the Morgan Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Joe McAninch, Ricky Jourden, J.W. Jourden, Doug Rennert, Jr., David Brown and Randy Lane.

Addison Crockett Bryant was born on July 31, 1949 in Dallas, Texas to Alton and Barbara Wingert Bryant. He married Eunice Lane on October 8, 1988 in Meridian, Texas. Addison owned and

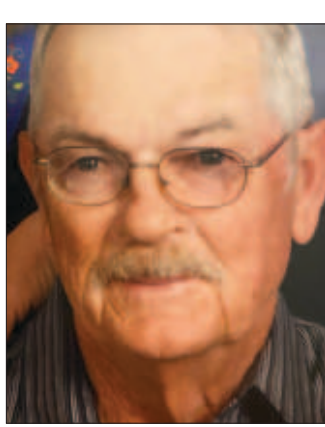
operated a dentist office in Flower Mound for a number of years before going to work for the Department of Corrections in Gatesville. He worked as a dentist in Gatesville for 15 years.

Left to cherish his memories are his wife, Eunice Bryant of Temple; brother, Charlie Bryant and wife, Barbara, of Dallas; sisters-in-law, Patricia McAninch and husband, Joe, of Meridian, Janice Siedle and husband, Bob, of Arlington, Mary Helen Lane of Arlington; brother-in-law, Ricky Jourden and wife, Billie, of Meridian; nieces and nephews, J.W. Jourden and wife, Amy, of Temple, Theresa Lane and husband, Brian, of Tonkawa, Oklahoma, Melissa Rennert and husband, Doug, Jr., of Temple; great-nieces and great-nephews, Chloe Rennert of San Antonio, Sydney Rennert and fiancé, Travis of Bryan, Elissa Rennert of Temple, Whitley Jourden of Stephenville, Matthew Rennert of Temple; life long friends, Fred and Linda Weaver and their son, Shawn all of Gatesville; numerous other relatives and many friends.

Arrangements were entrusted to Lawson Funeral Home, Meridian, Texas 254-435-2792.

## ROBERT (BOB) LEWIS HILL

September 19, 1940 - September 6, 2021



Robert (Bob) Lewis Hill, 80, of Lago Vista, formerly of Gatesville, departed this earth into the loving arms of our Savior Jesus Christ on September 6, 2021.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Gatesville on Friday, September 10, 2021, from 1 pm to 2 pm. Memorial services will follow at First Baptist Gatesville at 2 pm on Friday with Dr. Steve Dominy officiating.

Bob was born September 19, 1940, in Redland, Texas. He grew up in Redland surrounded by a large and loving family. Sports were an important aspect of his life while attending Redland High School, Panola Junior College, and Stephen F. Austin State University.

He married the love of his life, Linda Gayle Turner, on January 30, 1965. Imme-

diately after college, Bob worked many years and retired as Vice President of Products for Anchor Post Products in Houston, Texas. Bob and Linda raised their three children in Houston and Katy, Texas, then entered into the wonderful world of grand-parenting. Bob said being a grandparent to his nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren was the career he was meant to have.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, William and Cassie Hill; three sisters, Jean Benge, Charlene Scruggs, and Doris Harrington; brother, Billy Frank Hill; in laws, Vernon and Juanita Turner; sister-in-law, Debbie Turner Barnes, and brother-in-law, Robert Turner.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 56 years, Linda Turner Hill; son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Evelyn Hill; daughter and son-in-law, Paige and John Layton; daughter and son-in-law, Heather and Mike Yarbrough; nine brilliant grandchildren and two extra brilliant great-grandchildren. Bob is also survived by brother and sister-in-law, Jerry and Linda Kay Hill; sister-in-law, Jenny Sandefur, and many beloved nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and friends.

Bob would want to be remembered as a Christ lover, lover of family, and a lover of life.

Well done, good and faithful servant.

## CURTIS BANKSTON

June 20, 1954 - September 6, 2021



Curtis Bankston, age 67 of the Ater community, went to be with his Lord and Savior, surrounded by his family, on Monday, September 6, 2021 in Gatesville.

Graveside services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Friday, September 17, 2021 at Ater Cemetery, with Pastor Cody Haines and Graves Wallace officiating. The family will receive visitors at Scott's Funeral Home at 1:00 p.m. until leaving to go to the cemetery in procession at 2:30.

Curtis was born on June 20, 1954 in Midland to the late Glen and Lena Jane Starks Bankston. He surrendered his life to Christ at the age of 38 and dedicated the remaining 29 years of his life to leading people to Christ. Through his ministry and counseling, he has changed thousands of lives. He has preached the Word

wherever the Lord has sent him. He had a love for all missions, but Mexico held a special place in his heart. His favorite saying was, "Are you willing to take the nails". Curtis's life was a testimony that he was willing to do so. As a result of the "Word of God" Curtis instilled in so many, the "work" he started, will not end.

Curtis is survived by his wife of 21 years, Cindy Bankston; children, Jason Bankston, Chad Treadway, Brent Bankston and wife, Vicki, Jennifer Mann and husband, Will, Seanna Smith and husband, Wyatt, Landon Bankston; sister, Kathy Lackey and husband, Steve; brother, Danny Bankston and wife, Tammy; his grandchildren, that he loved dearly, Koltan and wife, Amber, Chelsi, Shelby and husband, Fahron, Matti, Bryce, Wade, Emma, Lillie, Kari, Maci; and great grandchildren, Aria, Carson, Tinley and Brady.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a grandson, Blain Bankston.

In lieu of flowers, the family has designated that memorials be made to West Texas Boys Ranch, 10223 Boys Ranch Rd, San Angelo, TX 76904, <https://www.wtbr.org/donate> or Voice of Mexico Ministries, P.O. Box 421266, Del Rio, TX 78842.

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Matthew 25: 34-36

**Carlos and LeAnne Webb and family**

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SETTING OF COMPENSATION BY THE DISTRICT JUDGES OF CORYELL COUNTY FOR THE 2021-2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

In accordance with Chapter 152 Subchapter D, Section 152.905 of the Texas Local Government Code, the District Judges of Coryell County hereby notifies the public that a meeting is to be held Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 8:45 a.m. at the location of the 52nd District Court Room, on the second floor of the Coryell County Courthouse, 620 East Main Street, Gatesville, Texas. A public hearing will be held for the purpose of setting the annual compensation of the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, Court Coordinators, and Court Reporters.

Trent D. Farrell  
Local Administrative District Judge  
00028762

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TO: DECEDENT'S UNKNOWN HEIRS  
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THE STATE OF TEXAS - COUNTY OF CORYELL

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ROGER LEE TEETERS, DECEASED. CAUSE NO. 21-10525, COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS. TAMERA DEAN FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS ON THE 31ST DAY OF AUGUST, 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 ROGER LEE TEETERS, DECEASED.

SAID APPLICATION WILL 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 20TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2021, AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS.

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE ARE HEREBY CITED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COUNTY COURT 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.

THE OFFICER EXECUTING THIS CITATION SHALL CAUSE TO BE PUBLISHED, ONCE, NOT LESS THAN TEN DAYS BEFORE THE RETURN DAY THEREOF, EXCLUSIVE OF THE DATE OF PUBLICATION, IN A NEWSPAPER PRINTED IN GATESVILLE, CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS THE ACCOMPANYING CITATION, OF WHICH HEREIN IS A TRUE COPY AND RETURN THE ORIGINAL COPY OF THIS CITATION TO THE CLERK STATING IN A WRITTEN RETURN THEREON THE TIME WHEN AND THE PLACE WHERE THE CITATION WAS PUBLISHED.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS THE 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

JENNIFER NEWTON, CORYELL COUNTY CLERK  
CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY: JENNIFER NEWTON

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CORYELL

BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Coryell County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 9th day of September, 2021, seized, levied upon, and will on the 5th day of October, 2021, at the Courthouse Steps, at 10:00 A.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Coryell County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V/P) or document number of the Deed Records, Coryell County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #	MIN BID
1	CTX-14-03135	Coryell Co. vs. Tim Sullivan	Lot 5, Block 6 (V468/P37) CR 347, Leon Junction, #000000116464	\$14,030.58
2	CTX-17-03330	Coryell Co. vs. Phyllis Armstead	Lot 6, Block 3, Meadow Brook Estates, Section 3 (Instrument #229614, OPR) 1816 Pleasant Lane, Copperas Cove, #121404	\$15,114.27
3	CTX-17-03348	Coryell Co. vs. Wilber I. Baity	Lot 6, Block 3, Hughes Gardens Addn (V376/P735) 2105 Wayne Street, Copperas Cove, #120419	\$34,765.05
4	CTX-18-03484	Coryell Co. vs. Robert Wayne Evetts	Lot 3, Block 1, Valley View Estates (Instrument #135886, OPR) 404 Bluestem Dr, #115551	\$11,038.22
5	CTX-19-03536	Coryell Co. vs. Earlene Edwards Faubion	Lots 50 and 51, Block 12, Northern Annex Addn (Instrument #220548, OPR), 311 Carroll Dr, #113551 and (Instrument #249225, OPR) 110 Coryell City Rd, #113552	\$5,068.92
6	CTX-19-03559	Coryell Co. vs. William Hamey	Manufactured Home Only, Label #RAD1069837, Serial #OVU0028, located at Cedar Grove Estates Mobile Home Park, #53, 53 Locust Dr, Copperas Cove, #147243	\$3,373.00
7	CTX-19-03622	Coryell Co. vs. Roy J. Kays	Lot 13, Block 7, Valley View Addn, (Instrument #303553, OPR) Copperas Cove, #125735	\$3,331.46
8	CTX-20-03641	Coryell Co. vs. Carolann McDanel	Lot 12, Block 1, Barton Addn, Part 2, (Document #297718, OPR) 2528 Lowrey Dr, #11231	\$5,106.79

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 9th day of September, 2021, at Gatesville, Texas

*Scott Williams*  
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Sheriff, Coryell County, Texas

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**





# Oglesby rolls to 52-6 mercy-rule victory over Temple CenTex

**BY MARK GOODSON**  
Staff Writer

Oglesby football rolled to a 52-6 mercy-rule victory over Temple CenTex Friday in a road game for the Tigers. The Tigers improved to 3-0 on the season with scheduled home games with Kopperl and Eagle Christian upcoming. Oglesby was scheduled to play Iredell (Sept. 10) but the

Dragons had to cancel because of COVID issues. The Tigers finished with 221 yards rushing and 114 passing against CenTex. Blake Thompson and freshman Tyler Fossett had two rushing touchdowns each. Matthew Castillo hauled in two scoring receptions and finished with a team-high three catches for 77 yards. Ronaldo Gonzales added a

scoring run. Brodie Fisher completed three of three passes for 77 yards. Thompson completed both of his passes for 40 yards total. Defensive tackle leaders were Johnny Gomez with eight, Castillo seven, Cash Lee six, Fossett five, and Fisher five. Gomez had an interception and Fisher recovered a fumble.

## EAGLES

Running back Tyler Wilson was effective on seven carries for 94 yards. Wilson finished with three touchdowns. His 42-yarder with 1:55 left in the second quarter raised the score to 58-8.

### STATISTICAL LEADERS

**PASSING**  
CALEB CHRISTEL- 5/6, 98 YARDS, 2 TD  
GARETT YOUNG- 1/1, 36 YARDS, 1 TD  
**RUSHING**  
CALEB CHRISTEL- 3 CARRIES, 18 YARDS, 1 TD  
TYLER WILSON- 7 CARRIES, 94 YARDS, 3 TD

MANNY TORRES- 2 CARRIES, 16 YARDS  
JADEN DOMEL- 2 CARRIES, 34 YARDS

**RECEIVING**  
NAT HILLIKER- 4 CATCHES, 124 YARDS, 3 TD  
GARRETT YOUNG- 1 CATCH, 10 YARDS

**DEFENSE**  
NAT HILLIKER- 3 TACKLES, 2 PASS BREAK UPS, 1 FUMBLE RECOVERY  
CALEB CHRISTEL- 5 TACKLES, 1 FUMBLE RECOVERY  
JADEN DOMEL- 6 TACKLES  
MANNY TORRES- 5 TACKLES  
JACOB CISNEROS- 6 TACKLES, 1 FORCED FUMBLE  
ZACH CHAPMAN- 6 TACKLES  
IAN SHOAF- 2 TACKLES, 1 PASS BREAK UP, 1 INTERCEPTION

## HORNETS

of 60 and 82 yards for scores in the third quarter. "We have to refocus and get back to the fundamentals of what makes us successful," Howard said. "Playing with great effort, enthusiasm, blocking and tackling." The Hornets travel to Hillsboro this Friday looking to snap a two-game skid. Lorena had narrow losses to Franklin and China Spring before erupting against the Hornets. Lorena led 34-0 at half-time and added long runs

## ROUNDUP

The Elks fell, 19-25, 25-22, 21-25, 22-25. Statistical leaders for Evant were: Harley Weeks 21 assists, 1 ace  
Emiliegh Burton 17 kills, 4 blocks, 12 digs  
Caeleigh Burkham 25 digs, 8 kills  
Luwi Rodriguez 10 digs  
Bree Rameriz 3 aces 8 digs  
Molly Waldrum 2 kills

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**GATESVILLE HORNETS**  
**Hayden Mooney**  
20 tackles



**JONESBORO EAGLES**  
**Nat Hilliker**  
4 passes for 124 yards and 3 touchdowns



**EVANT ELKS**  
**Luis Arellano**  
213 yards and 5 touchdowns



**OGLESBY TIGERS**  
**Matthew Castillo**  
3 receptions for 77 yards (2 touchdowns), 7 tackles



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## Jonesboro senior is hands-on player

BY MARK GOODSON  
Staff Writer

Jonesboro High School seniors Nat Hilliker and Manny Torres put on a football show Friday night in Jonesboro.

Hilliker caught four passes for 124 yards and three scores. Torres was one of the most physical players on defense with five tackles.

Hilliker hauled in his catches from Caleb Christel and Garrett Young. He made all of them look easy as he blew by defenders from the Johnson County home school team in a 58-8 victory for the Eagles at Pruitt Field.

Jonesboro finished off the visi-

tors quickly ending the game by the 45-point mercy rule by halftime.

"We just play like a family," Hilliker said. "we all work together."

Hilliker is just as important on the defensive side of the ball. He finished the game with three tackles, two pass break-ups and one fumble recovery.

Jonesboro improved to 3-0 with the win and will entertain the rival Blum Bobcats this week at Jonesboro.

"This is one that we won't have to worry about getting ready for," Jonesboro coach Eddie Gallegos said.

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**GOOD RUN:** Jaden Domel runs for yardage behind solid blocking for the Jonesboro Eagles.



PHOTOS BY MARK GOODSON | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**WHAT A DRAG:** Jonesboro sophomore DeMarcus Acoff drags down a Johnson County home school player.

### VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

## Hornets roll up 19th victory

The Gatesville varsity volleyball team rolled past the Taylor Ducks Friday at Gatesville to improve to 19-5 overall.

The girls were strong from start to finish in taking the sweep, 25-19, 25-18, 25-14.

The Hornets were on the road at rival Burnet on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

Leading the way against Taylor were Tasha Thoms, Avery Mullins and Kaleigh Haywood.

"We started off strong and did a lot of good things," said coach Jane Weber. "The girls were quick with transition and getting to the right spot."

The JV and freshmen also won.

### EVANT DROPS MATCH

Evant dropped a tough match with Hamilton on Friday.

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### TIMELY INTERCEPTION



MARK GOODSON | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**West Allman hauls in an interception for the Gatesville freshmen in Thursday's battle against Lorena. The Leopards pulled out the win, 36-34.**

### GATESVILLE FOOTBALL

## Lorena Leopards devour Hornets, 54-0

BY MARK GOODSON  
Staff Writer

Gatesville ran into a hungry Lorena Leopard football team Friday and it wasn't pretty.

The Hornets gave up big plays, including 27 points in the first quarter, en route to a 54-0 defeat on Homecoming night for Lorena at Leopard Field.

The Hornets (1-2) managed 134 yards for the night and missed field goals.

The Leopards (1-2) scored three touchdowns in a three-minute span to take control in the first quarter.

"They were able to hit us on some big plays to No. 7 (Jadon Porter)," Gatesville coach Luke Howard said.

Lorena finished with 554 yards and 26 first downs. The Hornets had nine first downs and 132 total yards. The Leopards spread the wealth between eight rushers and six receivers.

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**LUKE HOWARD**  
Gatesville Head Coach

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The Hornets had 29 rushes for 40 yards.

Quarterback Wesley Brown had 19 carries for 66 yards on the ground.

Parker Allman had nine attempts

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